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on a Whaling voyage Captain Gibbs Masten 1858

latter part squally and winds baffling took in the  
lite sails and double reefed the topsails so ends  
this day

Tuesday

November the 22

this day commences with a moderate gale from the  
E S E ship under close reefed maintopsail and  
main spencer and foretopmast staysail heading  
S middle and latter part more moderate set the  
foresail and shook one reef out of the maintopsail  
and set the fore and mizen topsails heading S W  
by S saw a ship heading E by N so ends this day

Wednesday

November the 23

this day commenced with a fresh breeze and pleasant  
wether from the W S W ship under all sail  
steering S S E hands employed in setting up  
rigging middle and latter part the same so ends this day

Thursday

November the 24

this day commences with a light wind and pleasant  
wether from the S W ship under all sail steering  
E S E saw a sail bands employed in coiling lines and  
fitting boats at sunset took in all sail to double  
reef topsails and foresail it blowing strong so ends  
this day

Friday

November the 25

this day commences with a fresh breeze from and ragged  
wether from the N ship heading E S E under double  
reefed topsails and courses hands employed in different  
jobs about the deck middle part took in the jib  
so end this day

Saturday

November the 26

this day commences with a moderate breeze from the S  
ship under double reef topsails and foresail steering  
E S E at 6 AM wind shifted to the N blowing a



Ship Speedwell of Fairhaven Bound on  
strong gale took in all sail set main spenceen and  
foretopmast staysail latter part more moderate  
set reef maintopsail so ends this day

Sunday

November the 27

this day commences with light breezes and pleasant  
wether from the N E ship under double reef  
topsails and foresail steering S E by E half  
E set jib spanker and mainsail shook the reefs  
out of the topsails and set maintopgallant  
sail and flying jib broke out for water  
latter part took in fly jib and maintop galla  
nt sail and double reefed the topsails it  
blowing strong so ends this day

Monday

November the 28

this Day commences with fresh breezes and clou  
dy wether from the N E ship under whole topsails  
steering S E hands employed in diferent jobs  
middle part strong breezes took in sail to close reef  
maintopsail and foretopmast staysail and main spen  
cer at 10 it blowing a moderate Gale later part  
more moderate at 6 P M set the foresail so ends

Tuesday

November the 29

this day commences with a strong breezes and  
squaly wether from the E N E ship under  
close reef maintopsail foresail heading S E  
middle part shook one reef out of the main  
topsail and set the fore and mizzen topsails  
saw a sail latter part the same so ends the day

Wednesday

November the 30

this day commences with a fresh breeze and squaly wether  
from the E S E ship under double reef topsails heading S at  
2 P M wore ship heading N E saw a sail standing to the  
southward at 5 P M shook one reef out of the maintopsail  
latter part the same so ends this day



A Whaling voyage Benjamin F Gibbs Master 1853

Thursday

December the 1<sup>st</sup> = 1853

This day commences with a fresh breeze and pleasant weather from the S E ship under all sail heading E N E hands employed in fitting boats saw a sail latter part strong breeze took in the flying jib and foretop gallant sail set up top gallant back stays so ends this day

Friday

December the 2<sup>nd</sup>

This day commences with strong breezes and pleasant weather from the S S W ship under Double reefed topails and courses steering E by S hands employed in ships duty latter part. shook one reef out of the maintopail so ends this day

Saturday

December the 3<sup>rd</sup>

this day

this day commences with strong breezes and pleasant weather from the W ship under sail steering E S E hands employed in setting up rigging middle and latter part the same so ends this day

Sunday

December the 4<sup>th</sup>

this day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N E ship under all sail steering S E saw 2 sails latter part the same took must heads to day so ends this day

Monday

December the 5<sup>th</sup>

this day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather from the E S E ship under all sail heading S broke out for water latter part fitting prows and mizzen topgallant rig so ends this day

Tuesday

December the 6<sup>th</sup>

this day commences with calm lowered the boats to learn the men to pull came on board hands employed in ships duty saw a pinback latter part light breezes from the S E ship under sail heading E N E so ends this day  
Lat 33-11 N Long 35-00 W



Ship Speedwell of Fairhaven Bound on a

Wensdy

December the 7

this day commences with light breezes and pleasant  
weather from the S E ship under sail heading  
E N E hands employed in ships duty & P M. tacked  
ship heading S S W saw a whaling barque  
latter part the same so ends this day

Thursday

Lat 33 = 30 N Long 35 = 50 W

December the 8

this day commences with strong breezes and  
pleasant weather from the S ship under all sail  
heading E S E hands employed in ships duty saw  
3 sails standing to the Northward middle part  
look in light sail, latter part the same so ends  
this day

Friday

December the 9

this day commences with strong breezes and  
pleasant weather from the S W ship under  
double reef topsails and courses heading  
S E by S middle part squally with rain latter  
part the same so ends the day

Saturday

December the 10

this day commences with strong breezes and squa-  
ly weather from W by S ship heading S by E under  
double reef topsails middle part shook the reefs  
out of the topsails latter part pleasant set  
maintopgallant sail so ends this day

Sunday

December the 11

this day commences with fresh breeze and plea-  
sant weather from the W N W ship under sail  
steering S by W middle and latter part the same  
so ends this day

Monday

December the 12

this day commences with fine breeze and pleasant  
weather from the W S W ship under all sail



# Whaling Voyage B, F Gibbs master 1853

Tuesday

headdling I broke out for water and bread sent up main royal yard and foretopmast studding booms - and set up maintopgallant and main royal back stays and also the fore latter part the same so ends this day

December the 13

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the S W ship under sail headdling S S E hands employed in ships duty saw a sail and finbacks middle part the same latter part calm so ends this day

Wednesday

December the 14

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the N W ship headdling S S W under sail hands employed in ships duty middle part the same saw finbacks latter part moderate so ends this day

Thursday

December the 15

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the N W E ship under sail headdling S W by E hands employed in ships duty sent up topmast and gallant studding sails latter part the same so ends this day

Friday

December the 16

this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant weather from the N E ship under all sail headdling S S W hands employed in setting up fore and aft stays middle part the same saw finbacks latter part moderate so ends this day

Saturday

December the 17

this day commences with strong breeze and pleasant weather from the N E ship under all sail steering S S W hands employed in ships duty saw a ship standing to the southward latter part the same so ends this day



Ship Speedwell of Falmouth bound to the  
Sunday

December the 18

this day commences with strong breeze and  
pleasant weather from the N E ship under all sail  
steering S S W at 8 a m saw St Antonio saw  
2 sails latter part wind from the E steering S  
set up fore topmast and topgallant and royal back  
stays took in fore and main topgallant sails  
and flying jib so ends this day

Monday

December the 19

this day commences with strong breezes and pleasant  
weather from the N E ship under all sail  
steering S E at 5 1/2 M saw Togo and Bravo at 8  
o'clock 2 boats went in shore got some fruit and  
logs & 2 boats returned on board spoke  
Tropicbird of New Bedford 50 days out clean  
also shipped fourth mate and boatswain one fore  
mast band so ends this day

Tuesday

December the 20

this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant  
weather from the N E ship under double reef  
topsails laying off and on Captain went on  
shore latter part returned shipped 10 men  
& men run away 1 boatswain 1 foremast  
band saw the Ohio clean at 8 o'clock made  
all sail steering S S W so ends this day

Wednesday

December the 21

this day commences with fresh breeze and  
pleasant weather from E ship under all sail  
steering S by W hands employed in setting  
up rigging and fitting boats saw 2 sails  
latter part the same so ends this day

Thursday

December the 22

this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant  
weather from the E the ship under all sail



Arctic Ocean B F Gibbs Master 1853

steering S by W hands employed in setting up rigging  
breaking out fitting boats latter part caught a  
porpoise so ends this day

Friday

December the 23

this day commences with strong breeze and pleasant  
weather from the E ship under sail steering S by W  
hands employed in breaking out for water middle part  
squally look in light sails and double reef the ~~fore~~  
fore and mizzen top sails latter part more moder-  
ate made all sail so ends this day

Saturday

December the 24

this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant  
weather from the E S E ship under sail steering S by  
W hands employed in breaking out slops and  
melasses latter part calm set up topmast and  
topgallant back stays so ends this day

Sunday

December the 25

this day commences with calm weather ran 3 sails  
and a school of blackfish latter part light winds  
from the S E ship under sail steering S by W  
so ends this day

Monday

December the 26

this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant  
weather from the S by E ship under all sail  
steering E by S hands employed in setting up  
rigging caught a porpoise so ends this day

Tuesday

December the 27

this day commences with light winds  
and pleasant weather from the N E E ship  
under all sail heading S W hands  
employed in setting up rigging latter  
part the same so ends this day



Ship  
Thursday

# Speedwell of Fairhaven Bound To

December the 28

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the S E ship under sail steering S W saw Blackfish hounded all 4 boats without success saw a sail so ends this day

Thursday

December the 29

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the S E ship under sail steering S W hands employed in ships duty latter part the same so ends this day

Friday

December the 30 this day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the S E by S ship under all sail steering S W by S hands employed in ships duty latter part the same so ends this day

Saturday

December the 31

this day commences with strong breeze and pleasant weather from the S E ship under sail steering S W hands employed in ships duty middle and latter part the same so ends this day

Sunday

January Sunday the 7-1854

this day commences with strong breeze and pleasant weather from the E S E ship under all sail steering S W middle and latter part the same saw nothing so ends the first day of 1854

Monday

January the 2

this day commences with strong breeze and pleasant weather from the E S E ship under sail steering S W hands employed in ships duty saw a sail so ends this day

Tuesday

January the 3

this day commences with strong breeze and pleasant weather from the E S E ship under



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The Arctic Ocean Benjamin F. Gibbs Master

all sail steering S S W hands employed in ship  
duty middle and latter part the same  
saw a sail so ends this day

Wednesday

January the 4

this day commences with strong breeze and plea-  
sant weather from the E ship under sail steering  
S S W hands employed in setting up rigging  
saw 2 sails middle and latter part the same so ends this day

Thursday

January the 5

this day commences with strong breeze and pleasant  
weather from the W ship under all sail steering  
S S W hands employed in setting up rigging saw  
a sail middle part the same so ends this day

Friday

January the 6

this day commences with strong breeze and  
pleasant weather from the ~~S S W~~ W ship  
under sail steering S S W hands employed in  
ships duty saw 2 sails latter part wind shifted  
to S W blowing strong took in lute sails and  
double reefed the topsails so ends this day

Saturday

January the 7

this day commences with strong breeze and rainy  
weather from the E S E ship under sail steering  
S S W hands employed in ships duty middle part the  
same latter part took in lute sails and double  
reefed the mizzen topsail so ends this day

Sunday

January the 8

this day commences with strong breeze and ple-  
asant weather from the E N E ship under all sail  
steering S W by S middle part the same latter part  
more wind took in mizzen top gallant sail  
running about 11 knots so ends this day



Ship Speedwell of Fairhaven Bound to The  
Monday

January the 9

this day commences with a moderate gale from  
the N ship under ~~the~~ double reef topsails and  
fore sail steering S W by S middle part the same  
latter part more moderate shifted to W N W  
set mainsail and gile so ends this day

Tuesday

January the 10

this day commences with strong breeze and pleas-  
ant weather from the S E ship under double  
reef topsails heading S W hands employed in  
ships duty middle and latter part the same  
so ends this day

Wednesday

January the 11

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant  
weather from the N E ship under all sail heading S W  
hands employed in ships duty saw a sail latter part  
wind from the N E ship steering S W by S so  
ends this day

Thursday

January the 12

this day commences with strong breeze ~~from~~ and  
pleasant weather from the N ship under all sail  
steering S W by S hands employed in ships duty  
latter part strong breeze running 11 knots so  
ends this day

Friday

January the 13

this day commences with strong breeze and pleasant  
weather from the N ship under double reef top  
sails and fore sail steering S W by S hove  
out for water latter part wind S blowing a  
moderate gale ship heading W S W so ends this day

Saturday

January the 14

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant  
weather from the S ship under all sail heading W  
S W hands employed in ships duty at 2 past 12 P M raised  
a school of sperm whales covered all 4 boats



Arctic Ocean Benjamin F. Gill's Master  
in chase the starboard boat struck and got stove  
the bow boat went on and struck the whale and  
killed him the larboard boat struck and took him to  
the ship at 10 o'clock and tied him up so ends this day

Sunday

January the 15  
this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant weather  
from the S ship under moderate sail heading W S W at  
5 AM began to cut in at night finished the body  
so ends this day

Monday

January the 16  
this day commences with a moderate gale from the S ship  
under moderate sails heading W S W finished cutting  
in and began to try out the blowing on took in sail  
to close reef main top sail and main spencer so ends this  
day

Tuesday

January the 17  
this day commences with strong gale and rough  
weather from the S ship under close reef main top sail  
heading E S E hands employed in trying out oars  
middle and latter part the same the cooper got badly  
hurt by a cask so ends this day

Wednesday

January the 18  
this day commences with strong gale from the  
S S E ship under the same sail heading S W  
hands employed in trying out middle and latter  
part the same so ends this day

Thursday

January the 19 this day commences with strong gale  
from the S S E ship under the same sail heading S W  
hands employed in trying out. latter part finished so  
ends this day

Friday

January the 20 this day commences with strong breeze  
and pleasant weather from the S S W ship under same  
sail heading S E hands employed in cooping up abutment  
part set whole top sails and main sail and jib  
so ends this day



Ship Speedwell of Fairhaven Bound to the  
Hatterday

January the 21

This day commences with light breeze and pleasant  
wether from the N W ship under all sail  
headding N W hands employed in stowing down oil  
latter part finished so ends this day

Sunday

January the 22

This day commences with strong breeze and rough  
wether from the N W ship under double  
reef top sails and courses steering S W middle  
part the same latter part took in jib or spanker  
main sail and fore and mizzen top sails and  
close reef the maintop sail stiped a sea and stowed  
in the bulwarks on the bow so ends this day

Monday

January the 23

This day commences with light breeze and pleasant  
wether from the W W ship under all sail steering  
N W hands employed in setting up riggen latter part  
strong breeze took in tite sails and double reefed  
the topsails wind from the N W headding S P E  
so ends this day

Tuesday

January the 24

This day commences with a moderate gale and  
rancy wether from the N ship under close reef main  
top sail and fore sail headding W S W latter part  
more moderate set whole top sails jib and spanker  
so ends this day

Wednesday

January the 25

This day commences with strong gale and rugged  
wether from the N W ship under close reefed  
maintop sail and foretopmast staysail headding W latter  
part took in lower boat so ends this day

Thursday

January the 26 This day commences with fresh  
breeze and pleasant wether from the N S W ship  
under double reef top sails headding W broke out



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Capt. Lea Benjamin F. Gibbs Master

for water put the bow boat on the cranes latter part  
lite breeze made all sail so ends this day

Friday

January the 27

this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant  
wether from the N ship under all sail steering S  
W by S middle part took in lite sails and double  
except the top sails latter part moderate gale so ends this day

Saturday

January the 28

this day commences with strong gale and squally weth  
er from the S W ship under close reef main top sail and  
fore top mast stay sail and main, foreen beading S S E  
latter part more moderate set the fore sail so ends this day

Sunday

January the 29

this day commences with strong breeze and pleasant  
wether from the N W W ship under all sail steering  
S W by S middle and latter part the same so ends this day

Monday

January the 30

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant weth  
er from the N W W ship under all sail steering  
S W by S middle part broke out for water latter  
part spoke the B Joshua Bragdon of New Bedford  
capt swain 3 months out clean so ends this day

Tuesday

January the 31

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant  
wether from the N W W ship under all sail  
beading S hands employed in wiping ship saw a sail  
middle and latter part same so ends this day

February Wednesday the 1 1854 this day commences  
with fine breeze and pleasant wether from the N W W ship  
under all sail beading S hands employed in breaking bread  
and flour latter part the same so ends this day



Ship Speedwell of Fairhaven Bound To The

Thursday

February the 2

this day commences with strong breeze and pleasant  
weather from the W S W ship under all sail steering  
N E at 8 in the morning saw station land bearing  
S W latter part wind lite so ends this day

Friday

February the 3

this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant  
weather from the N W ship under all sail steering  
N W saw 3 sails middle part strong breeze and  
ragged look in lite sails and double reefed the  
top sails at 4 o'clock saw Cape Horn latter part  
more moderate so ends this day

Saturday

February the 4 this day commences with strong  
breeze and cloudy weather from W by S ship under  
double reef topsails and courses heading S by W  
latter part reefed mainsail it blowing strong so ends  
this day

Sunday

February the 5

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant  
weather from the W ship under all sail steering  
N W middle part wind shifted to W steering  
W by N at 4 P M saw sperm whales it being  
thick and late did not lower saw 2 sails so

Monday

Lat. 56° 56' ends this day

February the 6

this day commences with strong breeze and pleasant  
weather from the N E ship under double reef top  
sails and foresail steering W S W saw 2 sail  
broke out for water latter part lite breeze from  
the N W off so ends this day

Tuesday

February the 7

this day commences with a strong gale and  
raining weather from the W S W ship under close  
reef main topsail and reef foresail heading S W



Capt. Lea Benjamin & Gibbs Master 1852

middle and latter part the same so ends this day

Wednesday

February the 8

this day commences with strong gales and squally weather from the WNW ship under close reef main top sail and fore sail. heading SW latter part took in the foresail so ends this day

Thursday

February the 9 this day commences with strong gales and rainy weather from the WNW ship under close reef main top sail heading SW middle part set the foresail latter part saw a schooner laying too so ends this day

Friday

February the 10

this day commences with strong breeze and pleasant weather from the SW ship under double reef top sails heading WNW broke out for water saw a sail latter part the same so ends this day

Saturday

February the 11

this day commences with strong breeze and ragged weather from the W ship under double reef top sails and fore sail heading SW middle and latter part the same so ends this day

Sunday

February the 12

this day commences with light breeze and foggy weather from the WNW ship under all sail heading SW middle part wind W steering WNW latter part fresh breeze took in lite sails wind shifted to WNW ship heading SW so ends this day

Monday

February the 13 this day commences with fresh breeze and squally weather from the SW by W ship under whole top sails heading SW by W middle part double reef top sail took in jib spinnaker and main sail latter part close reef the maintop sail and reefed the foresail saw a sail heading to the North West so ends this day



Ship Speedwell of Fairhaven Bound To The

Thursday

February the 14

this day commences with moderate gale and rugged weather from the N by W ship under close reef topsail and foresail heading N by W at 4 P.M. more ship heading N by W winds more moderate set whole topsails middle part wind N E steering N by W with all sail out latter part rainy so ends this day

Thursday

February the 15

this day commences with strong gale and rugged weather from the N by E ship under close reef topsails heading N by W at 12 P.M. kept on after steering N by W set the foresail fore and mizzen topsails latter part more moderate set the mainsail jib and spanker so ends this day

Thursday

February the 16

this day commences with strong breeze and pleasant weather from the N by W ship under double reef topsails and courses heading N by W saw a sail middle and latter part the same so ends this day

Friday

February the 17 this day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the N by W ship under all sail steering N by W brake out for water and bread middle and latter part the same so ends this day

Saturday

February 18

this day commences with strong gales and heavy squalls from the N by W ship under close reef main topsail and foresail steering N by W middle and latter part the same so ends this day

Sunday

February the 19 this day commences with strong gales and rugged weather from the N by W ship under single reef topsails and courses steering N by W middle and latter part the same so ends this day



Ship of B F Gibbs Master 1857

Monday

February the 20 this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant weather from the S W ship under all sail steering N W by E broke out for molasses middle and latter part the same so ends this day

Tuesday

February the 21 this day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the W ship under all sail steering N W W carpenter employed in fitting a new boat latter part the same so ends this day

Wednesday

February the 22 this day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the S W ship under all sail steering N W W hands employed in ships duty painted the cabinboard and lower boats latter part the same so ends this day

Thursday

February the 23 this day commences with strong breeze and pleasant weather from the S ship under all sail steering N W W hands employed in ships duty middle and latter part the same so ends this day

Friday

February the 24 this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant weather from the S ship under all sail steering N W W hands employed in breaking out for water land of Masafaro in sight saw a sail latter part the same so ends this day

Saturday

February the 25 this day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the S ship under all sail steering N W W hands employed in satling down spoke a spanish brig from callio bound to valparaiso latter part the same so ends this day

Sunday

February the 26 this day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the S E ship under all sail steering N W latter part the same so ends this day

Ship Specterell of Fairbairn B F G Master



Ship Spedwell of Fairhaven Bound To

Monday February the 21  
this day commences with lile breeze and pleasant weather  
from the V & E ship under all sail steering N W  
hands employed in ships duty also skathing the  
decks latter part the same so ends this day

Tuesday February the 22  
this day commences with a fresh breeze and pleasant  
weather from the V & E ship under all sail steering  
N W hands employed in ships duty at 11 past  
11 P.M. saw a large sperm whale lowered a boat  
in chase no success it being dark came on board so ends

Wednesday March the 1 - 1845  
Lat 27: 50 N Long 85: 10 W  
this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant  
weather from the V & E ship under all sail steering  
N W hands employed in ships duty latter part  
the same so ends

Thursday March the 2  
this day commences with lile breeze and pleasant  
weather from the V & E ship under all sail steering  
N W hands employed in ruttling down fore  
and mixer rigged latter part the same so ends  
this day

Friday March the 3  
this day commences with strong breeze and pleasant  
weather from the V & E ship under all sail steering  
N W hands employed in ships duty also painted  
the Waste boat latter part the same so ends this  
day

Saturday March the 4  
this day commences with lile breeze and  
pleasant weather from the V & E ship under all sails stea  
ring N W hands employed in ships duty latter part  
the same so ends this day

Sunday March the 5  
this day commences with lile breeze and pleasant  
weather from the V & E ship under all sail steering  
N W hands employed in ship duty so ends this day



The Cohoeta B. F. Gills Master  
Monday 18, 54

March the 6 This day commences with lite breeze and pleasant weather from the P & E ship steering N W under all sail hands employed in breaking out for water and flour latter part in ships duty saw a sail so ends this day

Tuesday

March the 7

this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant weather from the P & E ship under all sail steering N W hands employed in fitting riggen latter part the same so ends this day

Wednesday

March the 8

this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant weather from the P & E ship under all sail steering N W hands employed in fitting riggen saw black fish so ends this day

Thursday

March the 9

this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant weather from the P & E ship under all sail steering N W by 4 at 4 saw a school of sperm whales at 10 lowered all 4 boats in chase at 3 P M came on board at 4 lowered again the labboard got fast and draved and struck again and got him so ends this day

Friday

March the 10 this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant weather from the P & E at 8 A M commenced cutting in at 2 P M finished kept the ship off steering N by N and began to try out so ends this day

Saturday

March the 11

this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant weather from the P & E ship under all sail steering N by N hands employed in trying out oil also breaking out for water latter part the same so ends this day

Sunday

March the 12

this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant weather from the P & E ship under all sail steering N hands employed in trying out latter part the same so ends this day



Ship Speedwell of Fairhaven Bound to The Hook  
Monday

March the 13

This day commences with lile breeze and pleasant  
wether from the N E ship under all sail steering  
W by N at 8 am finished trying out middle  
part broke out the after hole latter part the same  
so ends this day

Tuesday

March the 14

this day commences with lile breeze and pleasant weth  
er from the N E ship under all sail steering W N W  
hands employed in coopersing ail middle part the same  
latter part rainy so ends this day

Wednesday

March the 15

this day commences with lile breeze and pleasant  
wether from the N E ship under all sail steeri  
ng W N W hands employed in stowing down  
ail middle part finished latter part rainy so ends  
this day

Thursday

March the 16

this day commences with lile breeze and pleasant  
wether from the N E ship under all sail steering W  
by N hands employed in ships duty middle  
and latter part the same some squally so ends this day

Friday

March the 17

this day commences with lile breeze and pleasant  
wether from the N E ship all sail steering W  
by N hands employed in ships duty ~~so~~ latter  
part the same so ends this day

Saturday

March the 18

this day commences with lile breeze and pleasant wether  
from the N E ship under all sail steering W by N  
hands employed in ships duty middle and latter  
part the same so ends this

Sunday

March the 19

This day commences with lile breeze and pleasant  
wether from the N E ship under all sail heading



Chot Lea B, F, Gibbs Marten 1854

NW hands employed in ship duty middle and latter part saw blackfish so ends this day

Monday

March the 20 this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant weather from the SE ship under all sail steering NW hands employed in ships duty latter part the same broke out for water so ends this day

Tuesday

March the 21

this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant weather from the SE ship under all sail steering NW hands employed in ships duty middle part the same latter part wind shifted to W ship heading by the wind NW so ends this day

Wednesday

March the 22

this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant weather from the SE ship under all sail steering NW hands employed in ships duty middle and latter part the same so ends this day

Thursday

March the 23

this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant weather from the SE ship under all sail steering NW hands employed in ships duty saw a sail latter part the same so ends this day

Friday

March the 24

this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant weather from the SE ship under all sail steering NW hands employed in ships duty latter part the same so ends this day

Saturday

March the 25

this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant weather from the SE ship under all sail steering NW hands employed in ships duty broke out for water latter part the same so ends this day

Sunday

March the 26 this day commences with a strong breeze and pleasant weather from the SE ship under all sail steering NW hands employed in ships duty middle part the same latter part lite breeze so ends this day



Ship Oscebeall of Fairhaven Bound To The  
Monday

March the 27

this day commences with a lite breeze and pleasant  
wether from the N E ship under all sail steering  
N W by N hands employed in setting up riggen and  
tarring down latter part the same so ends this

Tuesday

March the 28

this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant we-  
ther from the N E ship under all sail steering  
N W by N hands employed in tarring down  
the riggin latter part the same so ends this day

Wednesday

March the 29

this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant  
wether from the N E ship under all sail steering  
N W by N hands employed in tarring down  
latter part the same so ends this day

Thursday

March the 30

this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant  
wether from the E ship under all sail steering  
N W by N hands employed in washing ship  
and painting latter part the same so ends this

Friday

March the 31

this day commences with strong breeze and pleasant  
wether from the S ship under all sail steering W  
by N hands employed in breaking out from  
water millle part the same latter part heavily  
calmy so ends this day

**APRIL** Saturday the 1

this day commences with a lite breeze and pleasant  
wether from the N E ship under all sail steering  
N by N millle part the same latter part  
wind from the south so ends this day



Sanwich Islands R. P. Gibbs Master 1854  
Sunday

April the 2

This day commences with lile breeze and pleasant weth.  
in from the S E ship under all sail steering off light  
middle part the same latter part wind from the  
S with light so ends this day

Monday

April the 3

This day commences with lile breeze and pleasant  
wether from the N E ship under all sail steering  
W by N at 8 A M. saw the land bearing N E W  
latter part the same so ends this day

Tuesday

April the 4

This day commences with strong breezes and pleasant  
wether from the N E ship under all sail steering  
W by N at 8 A M. saw the land came to an anchor  
at 11 next of the day broke out for castles and sent  
a raft ashore a number of ships went to sea  
so ends this day

Wednesday

April the 5

This day commences with pleasant wether employed in  
breaking out oil and putting it on board of the  
ship L. B. Palmer of New York put on board 185  
barrels and carried 9 bundles of shooks on shore  
so ends this day in port

Thursday

April the 6 this day in port the Starboard watch  
employed in painting ship the Starboard watch on  
Liberty a number of ships came in to day so ends

Friday

April the 7 this day in port Starboard watch on Liberty  
got of a raft of water the starboard watch employ  
ed in painting ship so ends this day in port

Saturday

April the 8 this day in port Starboard watch on  
Liberty took 50 barrels of potatoes on board stowed  
some water down so ends this day at anchor



Ship Speedwell of Fairhaven Bound to the

Sunday April the 9

this day commences in port the labboard  
watch on liberty a number of ships came in

Monday

April the 10 this day at anchor got off a raft  
of a raft of water and stowed it down and got  
ready for sea that night 3 men took the waist boat  
and ran away have not heard from them so ends

Tuesday

April the 11 this day at anchor at 8 AM took  
the anchor and stood to sea late off and on also  
caught the men that runaway and got the boat at 6  
PM captain and wife came on board and shaped  
our course for Tahoe with a strong breeze

Wednesday

April the 12

this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant  
weather from the N E ship under all sail steering N E  
at 7 AM a boat went on shore to Tahoe  
after, latter latter part returned kept of steering  
N W so ends this day

Thursday

April the 13

this day commences with strong breeze and pleasant  
weather from the N E ship under all sail steering  
N by N land in sight and a number of sails  
latter part the same so ends this day

Friday

April the 14

this day commences with strong breeze and pleasant  
weather from the N E ship under all sail steering  
W hands employed in ship duty latter part the  
same so ends this day

Saturday

April the 15

this day commences with strong breeze and pleasant  
weather from the N E ship under sail steering W  
by P hands employed in ship duty latter part the  
same so ends this day



Capt Sea R. F. Gibbs & Maston 1854

Sunday

April the 16 this day commences with strong breeze and pleasant weather from the N E ship under all sail steering W by S latter part the same so ends this day

Monday

April the 17

this day commences with strong breeze and pleasant weather from the N E ship under all sail steering W by S hands employed in ships duty latter part the same so ends this

Tuesday

April the 18 this day commences with fine breeze and pleasant weather from the N E ship under all sail steering W by S hands employed in ships duty middle and latter part the same so ends this day

Wednesday

April the 19 this day commences with fine breeze and pleasant weather from the N E ship under all sail steering W by S hands employed in ships duty middle and latter part the same so ends this day

Thursday

Friday

April the 21 this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant weather from the N E ship under all sail steering W by S hands employed in ships duty latter part the same so ends this day

Saturday

April the 22 this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant weather from the N E ship steering under all sail steering W by S hands employed in breaking out iron hoops middle part the same latter part saw a sail so ends

Sunday

April the 23

this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant weather from the E the ship under all sail steering W by S at 6 A.M. spoke the ship ~~perisco~~ Captain Mores of Nantucket the captain and his wife came on board and spent the day latter part went on board so ends this day



Ship Speedwell of Fairhaven Bound to The  
Monday

April the 21<sup>st</sup> this day commences with light breeze  
and pleasant weather from the N E ship under all  
sail steering W by S employed in Ships duty  
the phenice in site latter part the same so ends this day

Tuesday

April the 22<sup>nd</sup>

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant  
weather from the N E the ship under all sail  
steering W by S employed in ship duty at  
11<sup>th</sup> A M spoke the ship Florida of New Bedford  
Captain Little & months out clean captain and his  
wife and little girl came on board and spent  
the day latter part the same so ends this day

Wednesday

April the 23<sup>rd</sup>

this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant  
weather from the E the ship under all sail steering  
W N W the Florida in site this morning the  
captain flogged 2 men put them in the stocks and  
gave them 18 lashes a peice at 8 A M spoke the  
Florida captain and his wife went on board  
and spent the day middle and latter part the  
same so ends this day

Thursday

April 24<sup>th</sup>

this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant weather  
from the N E ship under all sail steering W N W  
at 2 P M wind shifted to N N W blowing a  
strong breeze took in lite sails and double reefed  
the topsails latter part moderate squalls and the  
reefs and set the topgallant sails and flying  
jib ship heading W by N so ends this day

Friday

April the 25<sup>th</sup>

this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant  
weather from the N E ship under all sail  
steering N W by W saw a sail middle  
and latter part the same so ends this day



Chester B. H. Gibbs Marston 1, 84

Saturday

April the 29 - this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant weather from the N N E ship under all sail heading N N W hands employed in ships duty saw a sail latter part the same saw pinbacks so ends this day

Sunday

April the 30

this day commences with strong breeze and pleasant weather from the E S E ship under all sail heading N N W middle and latter part the same so ends this day

MAY

Monday May the 1

this day commences with fresh breeze and thick weather from the S E ship under all sail steering N N W middle part the same broke out for a while latter part rainy so ends this day

Tuesday

May the 2 this day commences with strong breeze and pleasant weather from the N ship under double reef topsails and foresail heading W N W middle part more moderate shook out the reefs and set the main top gallant sail and flying jib latter part the same so ends this day

Wednesday

May the 3 this day commences with a calm middle part lite breeze sprang up from the N W the ship steering W N W latter part the same so ends this day

Thursday

May the 4 this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant weather from the S E the ship under all sail steering N N W middle part squalls with rain from the E ship steering N latter part took in lite sails double reef the topsails took in the jib main sail and spanker and the mizen top sail wind still blowing on so ends

Friday

May the 5 this day commences with strong gale and cloudy weather from the N N W ship under close reef main top sail heading N N E latter part more moderate shook one reef out of the main top sail and set the foresail heading N so ends



Ship Speedwell of Fairhaven Bound To The  
Saturday

May the 6 this day commences with lile breeze and  
pleasant wether from the S ship under all sail steer-  
ing N by W hands employed in difereent jobs latter  
part strong breeze took in lile sails and double  
reft the fore and mizzen topsails so ends this day

Sunday

May the 7 this day commences with strong gales and  
pleasant wether from the S W the ship under close reef  
topsails and foresail steering N middle part took in fore  
and mizzen topsails passed a ship a saying to latter  
part took in foresail and lipped to the wind so ends

Monday

May the 8 this day commences with strong and  
snow squalls from the N N W ship under  
double reef main topsail and foresail heading N  
latter part set the fore and mizzen topsails and jib

Tuesday

May the 9 this day commences with fresh breeze  
and pleasant wether from the N W ship under all  
sail heading N E latter part wind from the N W  
steering N some rain so ends this day

Wednesday

May the 10 this day commences with strong breeze  
and foggy wether from the S W ship under double  
reef topsails foresail jib steering N W latter  
part moderate gale took in fore and mizzen topsails  
and jib and close reef the main topsail wind  
shifted to N N W so ends this day

Thursday

May the 11 this day commences with strong gales  
and snow squalls from the N W the ship under  
close reef main topsail heading N E latter part  
the same so ends this day

Friday

May the 12  
this day commences with strong breeze and pleasant  
wether from the N N W the ship under double  
reef topsails and foresail N middle part the same



Chob Sea B, F, Gibbs Master 1854

latter part more moderate set whole topsails jib and  
mainsail saw a sail so ends this day

Saturday

May the 13 this day commences with strong breeze and  
thick snow storm from the E the ship under whole top  
sails heading N W by N at 5 lifted the wind down  
rept the topsails took in jib and mainsail latter part  
took in fore and mizzen topsails and close reef the  
main and rept the foresail it blowing heavy and  
a thick storm and cold so ends this day

Sunday

May the 14 this day commences with strong gale and  
a snow storm from the N N W ship under close reef main  
topsail and foresail it blowing heavy heading N E at  
7 AM took in foresail saw a sail laying too latter  
part wether better but blowing heavy so ends this

Monday

May the 15

this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant weth  
er from the N N W ship under all sail heading W saw  
3 sails at 4 PM captain went on board of the ship  
Massachusetts of New Bedford capt Bennett spoke the Mary  
of New Bedford so ends this day

Tuesday

May the 16 this day commences with lite breeze and  
pleasant wether from the S W ship under whole top  
sails heading W saw 2 sails at 12 AM went in through  
the passage into the Dechohah sea with the Mary and  
Massachusetts of New Bedford latter part double  
rept the topsails it blowing strong so ends this day

Wednesday

May the 17 this day commences with lite breeze and  
pleasant wether from the S ship under all sail stea  
ring N W by N hands employed in jibs about  
the ship saw a number of birds  
latter part the same so ends this day



Ship Speedwell of Fairbairn & Cruising in  
Thursday

May the 18<sup>th</sup> this day commences with fresh breeze  
and foggy weather from the N<sup>W</sup> ship under all sail  
beheading N<sup>W</sup> & middle part cleared up latter part  
spoke the ship of Green Bedford Capt Norton  
32 months out 2300 W 1000 so ends this day

Friday

May the 19<sup>th</sup> this day commences with lite breeze  
and pleasant weather from the ESE ship under all  
sail steering N by W middle part the same the  
ship May in site latter part strong breeze from  
the ESE so ends this day

Saturday

May the 20<sup>th</sup> this day commences with lite breeze  
and pleasant weather from the W ship  
steering N this day broke out for water latter  
part foggy wind lite so ends this day

Sunday

May 21<sup>st</sup>  
this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant  
weather from the W ship under all sail beheading  
N<sup>W</sup> at 4 AM saw the ice in large fields  
saw 10 ships spoke the Leeward and Natches  
of New Bedford so ends this day

Monday

May the 22<sup>nd</sup> this day commences with lite  
breeze and foggy weather from the S<sup>W</sup>  
ship under whole topsails beheading S & E  
middle part spoke the ship Charles Phelps of  
Stonington had taken one whale saw  
a number of ships but no whales so ends

Tuesday

May the 23<sup>rd</sup> this day commences with lite breeze  
and pleasant weather from the W ship under  
moderate sail beheading N<sup>W</sup> saw a number  
of ships spoke the ship Congress Capt Hathaway  
and the Arnolda Capt Harding and the Bk  
Seabell Capt Smith all of New Bedford



The Choctaw Sea B. T. Gibbs Harbor 1850  
and Sp. Antelope Capt. Potter of Chesapeake middle  
part kept of steering N E by E so ends this day  
Thursday

May the 24 this day commences with lite breeze and  
foggy weather from ship under moderate sail heading  
N E saw 2 ships latter part the same saw the ice  
and foggy weather so ends this day

Thursday

May the 25 this day commences with lite breeze  
and foggy weather from the N E ship under moderate  
all sail heading S W middle part spoke the ship  
Medicum Capt Woodbridge so ends this day

Friday

May the 26 this day commences with lite breeze  
and pleasant weather from the S W ship under moderate  
sail heading N W E run into the ice a few  
hours and stood out saw nothing so ends this

Saturday

May the 27 this day commences with lite breeze  
and pleasant weather from the N E ship under  
all sail standing off and on to the ice  
middle part spoke the Adeline Gibbs Capt  
Purroy of Fairbairn and Frances Henrietta  
Capt Thurner latter part spoke the Gina Swift  
and Polan Star saw the Reindeer trying  
out 2 R ships in sight so ends this day

Sunday

May the 28 this day commences with lite breeze  
and pleasant weather from the N ship under  
moderate sail standing off and on to the ice  
latter part spoke the Hibernia of Westward  
12 sails in sight so ends this day

Monday

May the 29  
this day commences with strong breeze and pleasant  
weather from the N ship under double reefed sail  
heading to the Westward saw the ice also 15  
ships in sight so ends this day



Ship Spiderwell of Fairhaven Cruising In The  
Tuesday

May the 30 this day commences with strong breeze  
and pleasant weather from the S W ship under  
all sail heading W N W middle part took  
in lite sails latter part spoke general Swift  
of New Bedford Capt. Earl so ends this day

Wednesday

May the 31 this day commences with fresh  
breeze and pleasant weather from the W S W  
ship under all sail heading N W middle  
part the same latter part saw a ship trying  
out so ends this day

JUNE

Thursday the 1

this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant  
weather from the S W ship under all sail heading  
W saw 3 sails latter part strong breeze and fog  
gy took in lite sails and double reef the top  
sails so ends this day

Friday

June the 2 this day commences with fresh breeze and  
rainy weather from the E S E ship under moderate  
sail heading N E middle part steering W for  
Jones island spoke ship George of Farnon capt  
earner one whale latter foggy so ends this

Saturday

June the 3 this day commences with fresh and  
cloudy weather from the N N E ship ~~heading~~  
under moderate sail heading N W saw a num-  
ber of ships some of fairhaven boats struck  
and got stove to the whale we lowered twice  
without success saw the Phoenix of Nantucket  
capt Morey trying out so ends this day

Sunday

June the 4 this day commences with fresh breeze  
and pleasant weather from the N N E ship under  
moderate sail heading E at 5 A M saw whales  
lowered 4 times through the day with



Behold Sea B F Gibbs Masten 18-89.

success saw a number of ships some cutting in and some a laying out latter part calm so ends this day

Monday

June the 5 this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant wether from the S ship under moderate sail heading off S W saw whales lowered twice though the day without success latter part spoke the ship Montreall capt Gray 2 whales so ends this day

Tuesday

June 6 this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant wether from the E ship under moderate sail heading off N N E saw a number of ships trying out middle part standing off and on to the ice at 1 P.M. lowered for whales but did not get fast latter part thick wether so ends this day

Wednesday

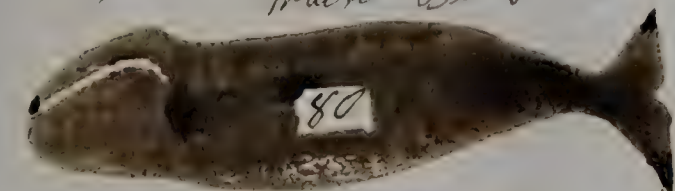
June the 7 this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant wether at 5 A.M. lowered for whales after along chase the starboard boat got fast but did not get him went on board latter part lower came in foggy went on board so ends this day

Thursday

June 8 this day commences with calm wether and a thick fog ship under moderate sail middle part the same some whales around and some ice latter part the same thick fog and no wind so ends this day

Friday

June the 9 this day commences with lite breeze and



pleasant wether from the E saw whales and lowered the boats the waist boat got fast killed him to the ship and cut him in <sup>took him</sup> latter part picked up a dead whale latter part began to lay out so ends this day

Saturday

June the 10 this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant wether from the S E ship under moderate sail heading E first part cut in the other whale continued to the west



# Ship Speedwell of Fairhaven Cruising In

saw a number of ships some a cutting and some trying out and some chasing whales latter part the same so ends this day

Sunday

June the 11 this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant wether at 6 AM lowered the boats the 1st Boat labboard boat struck and lost her line latter part the 1st Boat struck and killed him and took him to the ship and cut him in latter part trying out so ends this day

Monday

June the 12 this day commences with pleasant wether ship under moderate sail trying out middle part the same did not lower for whales this day latter part saw the bark Superior strike and lost him in the ice so ends this day

Tuesday

June the 13 this day commences with pleasant wether ship under moderate sail trying out saw whales and lowered but did not get fast saw a number of ships trying out latter part the same so ends this day

Wednesday

June the 14 this day commences with wether and lite breeze saw whales and lowered the boats the 1st Boat saw boat got fast killed him and took him to the ship and cut him in latter part trying out saw a number of ships so ends this day

Thursday

June the 15 this day commences with fresh breeze pleasant wether from the E ship under moderate sail heading N E employed in trying out middle part the same latter part spoke the Edaine Gills saw nothing this day so ends this day



The Chetopa Sea B, F Gibbs Marten 1854

Friday

June the 16 this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant wether from the N E ship under moderate sail heading E S E employed in trying out and stowing down latter part finished trying out and stowed down 117 barrels spoke the George and Mary of New London 5 whales so ends this day

Saturday

June the 17

this day commences with lite breeze and foggy wether from the N E ship under moderate sail heading E commenced stowing down latter part finished with fine saw a number of ships some trying out some a cutting spoke the Congress 3 whales so ends

Sunday

June the 18

June 18

this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant wether from the E ship under moderate sail heading N N E first part picked up a dead whale cut him in and began to try out latter part calm a number of ships in sight some trying out so ends this day

Monday

June 19 this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant wether from the N E ship under moderate sail heading E employed in trying out saw whales and lowered the boats without success spoke the North American Capt Bartlett 4 whales and the Republic of Bremen 3 whales so ends this day

Tuesday

June the 20

this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant wether from the W ship under moderate sail heading N N W first part finished trying out rest part employed in scraping bone saw a number of ships some a cutting and some trying out saw no whales saw a number of fin backs so ends this day



Ship  
Wednesday

Speedwell of Fairhaven a Cruising In The

June the 21

This day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant  
wether from the E ship under moderate sail head  
ding S E employed in scraping bottom and stowing  
down oil latter part finished saw nothing but  
a number of ships so ends this day

Thursday

June the 22

This day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant  
wether from the W S W ship under moderate sail  
leading S W middle part spoke the Kingfisher of  
New Bedford Capt Palmer 6 whales latter  
part foggy so ends this day

Friday

June the 23

This day commences with lite breeze and foggy  
wether from the W S W ship under moderate  
sail leading N middle part the same latter part  
cleared off saw a number of ships so ends this day

Saturday

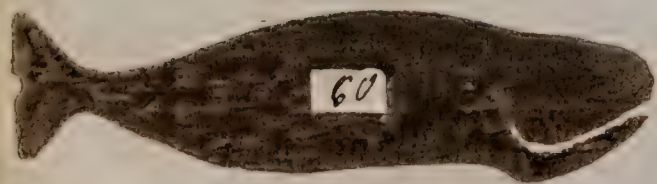
June the 24

This day commences with lite breeze and pleasant  
wether from the S S W ship under moderate sail  
leading W saw a number of ships latter part  
spoke the Florida of New Bedford 1 whale  
Capt and wife went on board so ends this

Sunday

June the 25

This day commences with lite breeze and pleasant  
wether from the S S W ship under all sail head  
ding S E at 10 A M saw a dead whale lowered  
the boats and took him to the ship  
and cut him in latter part began  
to try out saw a number of ships so ends this



Monday

Stinker

June the 26 This day commences with lite breeze  
and pleasant wether from the S W ship under moderate



Ochoth Sea B, T Gibbs Master 1854

sail heading W N W employed in trying out spoke  
the ship, saw of S. Bedford Capt. Munkley 7 whales  
and the North America 4 whales so ends this day

Tuesday

June the 27

This day commences with lite breeze and pleasant weather  
from the N N E ship under moderate sail heading  
E employed in trying out middle part the same latter  
part the land in site saw a number of ships  
so ends this day

Wednesday

June the 28

This day commences with lite breeze and pleasant weather  
from the N ship under moderate sail heading E N E  
first part finished trying out west part scraped the  
bone spoke the ship Kingfisher 6 whales so ends this day

Thursday

June the 29

This day commences with lite breeze and pleasant weather  
from the S S E ship under moderate sail heading  
S W employed in stowing down latter part finished  
saw the land and 3 ships so ends this day

Friday

June the 30

This day commences with lite breeze and foggy weather  
from the S S E ship under moderate sail heading  
N E middle part the same latter part cleared up  
spoke the Kingfisher saw the land so ends this day

JULY

Saturday the 1

This day commences with lite breeze and foggy weather  
from the N W ship under moderate sail heading N  
N E middle part the same, tacked ship a number of  
times through the day latter part the same so ends this day

Sunday

July the 2

This day commences with lite breeze and  
foggy weather from the N N E ship under moderate  
sail heading E spoke the Barque Favorite Capt. Spooner  
4 whales in still foggy so ends this day



Ship Speedwell of Fairhaven Cruising In The  
Monday

July the 3

This day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant  
weather from the S E ship under moderate sail  
beheading. E N E saw the land and the ice saw a  
number of ships but no whales spoke the ship  
William Went of Fair New Bedford 3 whales

Tuesday

Capt Ashley so ends this day

July the 4

This day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant  
weather from the S S E ship under moderate sail  
beheading. E saw whales lowered all 4 boats the  
Labrador struck and cut his line with the lance  
and lost him spoke the Massachusetts Capt Bennett  
6 whales and the ship Eclipse 7 whales so ends

Wednesday

July the 5

This day commences with light breeze and pleasant  
weather from the S S E ship under all sail beheading.  
E saw whales lowered all the boats but got nothing  
latter part returned on board saw a number of ships  
so ends this day

Thursday

July the 6

This day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather  
from the N N E ship under moderate sail beheading. N  
W middle part the same; latter part spoke the ship  
Massachusetts 7 whales so ends this day

Friday

July the 7

This day commences with light breeze and pleasant  
weather from the N N ship under all sail beheading.  
N N E spoke the Levi Starbuck of New Bedford  
5 whales latter part Captain went on board the  
Kingfisher saw one whale but did not lose from  
him saw a number of ships so ends this day

Saturday

July the 8

This day commences with light breeze and pleasant  
weather from the S E ship under all sail beheading



Cholek Sea R. F. Gibbs Harbor 1857

E & E middle part cleared of saw the land and ice and  
3 ships latter part foggy with some rain steering N W  
have seen no whales to day so ends this day

Sunday

July the 9

This day commences with lite breeze and pleasant weather  
from the E & ship under moderate sail steering N W saw  
3 ships middle part foggy with some rain latter part saw the  
land offed to the wind heading N W E so ends this day

Monday

July the 10

This day commences with light breeze and foggy weather  
from the E ship under moderate sail heading N W E  
middle part cleared of spoke the Barque Alfred Taylor  
of Edgartown Capt. Ripley 4 whales latter part  
steering N W by N so ends this day

Tuesday

July the 11

This day commences with lite breeze and pleasant  
weather from the E N E ship under all sail  
steering N W by W middle part the same latter  
part Capt. Bennett came on board the Spariter  
Islands in sight ship steering W S W so ends this

Wednesday

July the 12

This day commences with lite breeze and foggy ship  
at anchor come to an anchor last night at 10 o'clock  
middle part cleared of saw a number of ships at  
anchor saw a whale lowered a boat came in thick  
again returned on board latter part Capt. Haver came  
on board from ship Omega of Nantucket got nothing  
so ends this day

Thursday

July the 13

This day commences with fresh breeze and foggy weather  
from the N E with a high swell ship at anchor  
in 30 fathoms of water with a strong gale with 75  
fathoms of chain and middle part more moderate. Continued  
to the next



# Ship Speedwell of Fairhaven Cruising In

spoke the Omega had parted from her anchor and lost it and 50 fathoms of chain taken part  
cleared up saw 3 ships and the land so ends

Friday

this day

July the 14

this day commences with lite breeze and foggy  
wether from the N E ship laying at anchor middle  
part cleared of saw a number of ships spoke the ship  
Charles Phelps of Stonington 3 whales went on  
board stayed a few hours so ends this day

Saturday

July the 15

this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant  
wether from the N E took the anchor and made  
sail steering S W spoke the St. Peters of N B  
3 whales young Phoenix of N Bedford 7 whales and  
the Narravitt 2 5 whales lowered for whales but  
no success the St. Peters had lost both anchors  
and had to leave the ground so ends this day

Sunday

July the 16

this day commences with fine wether ship laying  
at anchor first part the boats went in shore in  
chase of whales chased all day but did not get  
part latter part returned on board so ends this

Monday

July the 17

this day commences with fine wether ship laying  
at anchor first part boats went in shore in chase  
of whales chased all day but did not get part  
latter part some foggy boats came on board so  
ends this day

Tuesday

July the 18

this day commences with foggy wether ship laying  
at anchor at 5 P M boats went in shore it being thick  
they landed middle part cleared of saw no whales  
latter part came on board so ends this day



The Watch Sea B. F. Gibbs. Hoston 1857

Wednesday

July the 19

this day commences with fine wether ship at anchor  
at 5 A.M. boats went in shore after whales but saw none  
cruised about till late and returned on board latter  
part foggy with some rain so ends this day

Thursday

July the 20

this day commences with thick and rainy wether ship  
at anchor middle part cleared up saw the land and  
ships saw a whale in shore but its being late did  
not loan for him so ends this day

Friday

July the 21

this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant  
wether ship at anchor boats went in shore after whales  
came on to rain did not see any middle part started  
at saw whales shared them till night but did not  
get part come on board so ends this day

Saturday

July the 22

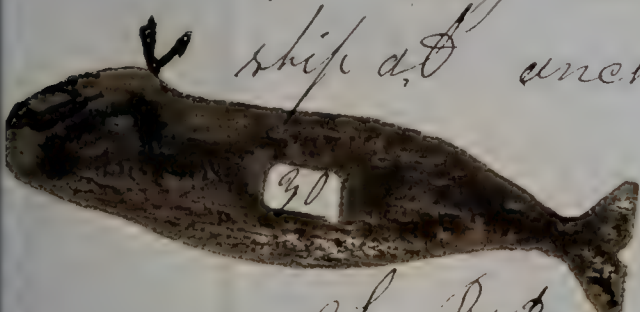
this day commences with thick and rainy wether  
ship at anchor latter part lowered the boats for  
whales the Starboard boat struck and  
had a man killed by him killed the  
I Boat the whale and anchored him it being  
thick and in the night started for the ship  
got on board at 5 in the morning so ends this day

Sunday

July the 23

this day commences with lite breeze from the S.W.  
took the anchor and stood for the whale took him  
along side at 10 A.M. and cut him in and began to  
try out took the anchor again and stood in for the  
land and came to an anchor again whale and  
lowered 2 boats but no success so ends this day

In the Chanten Bay





Ship Speedwell of Fairhaven Cruising In  
Monday

July the 24

this day commences with fine breeze and pleas  
ant wether ship at anchor went in shore with the  
boats in chase of whales chased them all day but did  
not get fast at night returned on board also  
finished trying out the whale so ends this day

Tuesday

July the 25

this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant  
wether ship at anchor lowered all 4 boats in chase  
the starboard boat went in to one the boatsteer  
missed him chased till night came on board so ends

Wednesday

July the 26

this day commences with lite winds and foggy wet  
ter ship at anchor boats went in shore after whales  
middle part cleared up saw whale but no success came  
on board it being foggy so ends this day

Thursday

July the 27

this day commences with fresh breeze and foggy  
wether ship at anchor middle part boats went  
in shore in chase of whales at night came  
on board without success so ends this day

Friday

July the 28

this day commences with foggy wether middle part  
cleared up lowered all 4 boats in chase of whale  
latter part the starboard boat struck and got  
stove and lost the whale came on board so ends

Saturday

July the 29

this day commences with fine wether ship  
at anchor at 3 o'clock lowered the boats  
in chase of whales chased all day but no success  
latter part foggy returned on board so ends this day



The Cheatek Sea B. F. Gibbs. Nantux 1854  
Sunday

July the 30

this day commences with thick fog ship at anchor and  
plenty of whales lowered boats in chase chased till 9  
in the evening it being thick could not find the  
ship went on board the Eric so ends this day

Monday

July the 31

this day commences with thick fog left the Eric in chase  
of whales but they being wild could not get fast  
chased all day without success latter part it being  
foggy could not find the ship went on board the  
Massachusetts so ends this day

## AUGUST

Tuesday the 1

this day commences with thick weather went in chase  
of whales chased all day but no success. Latter part  
returned on board so ends this day

Wednesday

August the 2

this day commences with fine weather ship at anchor  
all the boats went in chase of whales chased  
all day but no success came on board

Thursday

August the 3

this day commences with foggy weather ship at anchor  
boats went in chase of whales middle part cleared  
up some chased them till night but did not  
get fast came on board so ends this day

Friday

August the 4

this day commences with fine weather boats went in  
chase of whales after chasing all day came on board without  
success saw a number of whales taken so ends this day

Saturday

August the 5

this day commences with fine weather ship at anchor  
boat in chase of whales chased them all day but not get fast latter part  
came on board took the anchor and stood up the bay and came to anchor  
at 11 o'clock so ends this day



Ship Speedwell of Fairhaven Cruising In The  
Lands

August the 6

this day commences with fine wether ship at anchor boats in chase of whales chased all day but did not get fast latter part came on board so ends this day

Monday

August the 7

this day commences with fine wether ship at anchor boats went in chase of whales 2 boats came on board the others chased till night at 9 P M took the anchor and shifted our ground so ends this day

Tuesday

Wednesday August the 9

this day commences with fine wether ship at anchor the boats went in chase of whales chased all day at night came on board so ends this day

Tuesday

August the 8

this day commences with fine wether ship at anchor at 1 o'clock at night boats went in chase of whales chased till 11 and the Bow and Waist boat came on board at 3 the other 2 come latter calm and no whales so ends this day

Thursday

August the 10

this day commences with fine wether ship at anchor boats went chase of whales chased all day did not get fast came on board so ends this day

Friday

August the 11

this day commences with thick fog ship at anchor first part heard whales a spouting several all 4 boats went chased them till noon went on board of the Barque Laisane Capt Green stayed awhile and came on board so ends this day



Chetok Sea B, & Gibbs (Muster 1854)

Saturday

August the 12

this day commences with thick fog ship at anchor  
lowered 5 boats in chase of whales middle part cleared  
of chased all day without success came on board saw  
11 whales taken so ends this day

Sunday

August the 13

this day commences with fine weather ship at anchor lowered  
for whales chased till about 4 hours came on board  
middle part raining and a strong breeze latter part cleared  
again but no success came on board at sunset more  
moderate so ends this day

Monday

August the 14

this day commences with fine weather ship at anchor  
boats went in chase of whales chased all day without  
success came on board so ends this day

Tuesday

August the 15

this day commences with fine weather ship  
at anchor boats went in chase of  
whales chased all day but did not get past  
came on board so ends this day

Wednesday

August the 16

this day commences with fine weather ship at  
anchor lowered all the boats in chase of  
whales chased till night the Bow boat went on  
and did not get past so ends this day

Thursday

August the 17

this day commences with fine weather ship at anchor  
lowered. The boats for whale chased all  
day but did not get past came on board at  
5 P.M. hoisted the boats and took the anchor  
at 9 anchored in 12 fathoms of water  
so ends this day in the afternoon



Ship Speedwell of Taintaven Cruising In  
Friday

August the 18

this day commences with fine weather ship at anchor lowered the boats chased all day at sunset came on board so ends this day

Saturday

August the 19

this day commences with fine weather ship at anchor lowered the boats in pursuit of whales but saw none latter part came on board so ends this day

Sunday

August the 20

this day commences with fine weather ship at anchor lowered the boats cruised all day saw nothing at sunset came on board so ends this day

Monday

August the 21

this day commences with thick weather took the anchor at 7 AM and made all sail and stood to the N East 8 PM came to anchor so ends the day

Tuesday

August the 22

this day commences with thick weather and a strong breeze ship at anchor broke out for meat and water latter part more moderate so ends this day

Wednesday

August the 23

this day commences with a fresh breeze took the anchor and stood to sea at 7 PM came to anchor sent a raft of casks ashore so ends this day

Thursday

August the 24

this day commences with thick rainy weather went on shore after water middle part got along side of the ship hoisted it in latter part stowed it down the weather still bad so ends this day



1854

The Schooner Sea B. F. Gibbs. Norton

Friday  
August the 25  
this day commences with fine wether ship at anchor at  
falstaff island a number of captains came on board  
at 4 P.M. took the anchor and stood to sea wind from  
the N.E. but lite so ends this day

Saturday  
August the 26  
this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant wether  
from the N.E. ship under all sail heading N.W.W.  
middle and latter part the same so ends this day

Sunday  
August the 27  
this day commences with lite breeze and foggy wether  
from the S.W. ship under all sail steering E by S  
latter part cleared up spoke the ship Melicam Capt  
Woodbridge & crew so ends this day

Monday  
August the ~~27~~<sup>28</sup>  
this day commences with fine breeze and pleasant wether  
from the S ship under all sail steering N.E. by E  
broke out for flour meat and cheese saw a  
sail latter part the same so ends this day

Tuesday  
August the 28  
this day commences with fine breeze and pleasant  
wether from the S ship under all sail steering  
N.E. by E employed in drying home latter part  
saw the land bearing N.E. by N so ends this day

Wednesday  
August the 29  
this day commences with fine breeze and pleasant  
wether from the S ship under all sail steering  
E by N employed in drying home broke out for  
bread latter part the same the land in sight  
bearing from E to W.S.W. so ends this day

Bee head Island in sight



Ship Speedwell of Fairhaven Cruising In  
 SEPTEMBER In Alaska Bay

Thursday August 31

Friday September the 1



this day commences with a lite breeze and pleasant  
 weather from the S S W ship under all sail steering  
 E spoke the ship Omega of Nantucket, whale  
 at 9 A.M. saw whales, lowered the boats the  
 labboard boat got fast killed him and took  
 him to the ship and cut him in latter part  
 strong breeze and rugged weather ship under  
 moderate sail so ends this day

Friday September

September the 1

this day commences with fine breeze and  
 pleasant weather from the S S W ship under mod-  
 erate sail heading W the lung in sight commences  
 need trying out middle part saw whales  
 lowered from them but they were a going quick  
 came on board latter part the same so ends this

Saturday

September the 2

this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant  
 weather from the N E ship under moderate sail  
 heading E S E middle part saw whales lowered  
 but did not get fast latter part the same  
 so ends this day

Sunday

September the 3

this day commences with fine breeze and pleas-  
 ant weather ship under moderate sail heading along  
 by the wind saw whales but did not loan  
 as they were a going quick finished trying out  
 latter part the same spoke the Isabella and  
 Florida of New Bedford & so ends this day

Monday

September the 4

this day commences with fine weather and lite  
 breeze from the S S W ship under moderate  
 sail heading W S W latter part spoke



The Eskotak Sea R. F. Gilles Master 1854

the Milo 19 whales and the Margaret Scott of New  
Bedford 5 whales so ends this day

Tuesday

September the 5

this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant  
wether from the W ship under moderate sail heading  
along by the wind employed in stowing down oil  
latter part finished spoke 3 on 4 ships so ends this day

Wednesday

September the 6

this day commences with fine breeze and pleasant  
wether from the S P & ship under moderate sail head-  
ing E the land in sight aboard and Whist boat  
went a fishing latter part came on board got  
70 cod fish spoke the General Pike of N. B. & whales  
so ends this day

Thursday

September the 7

this day commences with fresh breeze and rainy  
wether from the S P & ship under double reef  
topails heading E latter part moderate gale took  
in the courses jib and spanken wether thick and rainy  
so ends this day

Friday

September the 8

this day commences with fresh breeze and rainy wether  
from the E ship under all sail heading N N W  
middle part the same at 4 P M. come to anchor in 10  
fathoms of water and furled the sails so ends this day

Saturday

September the 9 this day commences with fine wether ship  
at anchor & boats went in chase of whales and then went a  
fishing got a few captain went ashore and got a few  
herring some other things stayed all night so ends this day

Sunday

September the 10 this day commences with fine wether  
ship at anchor & boats went in pursuit of whales but saw none  
at 12 o'clock came on board Captain and his wife went on  
shore latter part returned so ends this day



Ship Speedwell of Fairhaven Cruising In  
Monday

September the 11

this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant  
wether from the E at 5 P M took the anchor and  
stood to sea under all sail heading S S E saw a  
whales but going quick latter part the same so ends this

Tuesday

September the 12

this day commences with strong breeze and pleas  
ant wether from the E S E ship under double reef  
topails heading S middle part saw whales lower  
ed for them 4 P M came on board latter part  
strong winds and squally so ends this day

Wednesday

September the 13

this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant  
wether from the E N E ship under moderate sail  
heading N first part saw whales lowered for  
them but no success latter part strong breeze  
spoke the ship floridan so ends this day

Thursday

September the 14

this day commences with strong breeze and pleasant  
wether from the N W ship under moderate sail  
steering S E by S middle part the same latter part  
wind lite spoke the ship floridan so ends this day

Friday

September the 15

this day commences with strong breeze and rugged  
wether from the S S E ship under double reef  
topails heading E saw rite whales lowered for them  
it being so rugged could do nothing came on board  
so ends this day

Saturday

September the 16

this day commences with strong gales and rugged  
wether from the E ship under close reef main  
topails and main reef heading S S E middle  
and latter part the same so ends this day



The (Whale) Sea B, F. Gibbs Master 1854

Sunday

September the 17

this day commences with moderate gale from the E ship under moderate sail heading S. S. E. middle part the same latter part more moderate so the fore topsails wind shifted to the S. S. E. were ship heading E

Monday

September the 18

this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant weather from the S. S. E. ship under all sail heading E middle part wind from the N. W. broke out for water and coffee latter part spoke the 'Samuel Robinson' of Fairhaven 1400 left of steering I shorten sail to double reef topsails so ends this day

Tuesday

September the 19

this day commences with strong breeze and rugged weather from the S. S. E. ship under whole topsails steering E middle part double reef topsails saw vete whales lowered two boats & went on to him together missed him came on board latter part E more moderate with rain and squally so ends this day

Wednesday

September the 20

this day commences with moderate breeze and pleasant weather from the W ship under all sail heading S. S. W saw vete whales lowered the boats in chase had 3 whales missed and struck the 4th and crew came on board saw a ships wind lite so ends this day

Thursday

September the 21

this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant weather from the N. E. ship under moderate sail heading E S. E. saw vete whales lowered the boats in chase the aboard boat struck first and the other boats struck him killed him and took him to ship and cut him in saw a ships latter part strong breeze so ends this day



Ship Speedwell of Fairhaven Cruising In

Friday

September the 22

this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant  
wether from the NW ship under moderate  
sail by the wind employed in trying out saw  
whales lowered the boats without success latter  
part the same so ends this day

Saturday

September the 23

this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant  
wether from the NW ship under moderate sail  
by the wind employed in trying out saw whales  
lowered without success latter part wind lite  
so ends this day

Sunday

September the 24

this day commences with strong breeze and  
pleasant wether from the W ship under moderate  
sail heading S W W finished trying out  
spoke the Ciraro of New Bedford Capt Pratt  
& whales the Florida & whales so ends this day

Monday

September the 25

this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant  
wether from the S W ship under all sail head-  
ding S S E employed in stowing down oil  
saw whales but did not lower latter  
part strong breeze so ends this day

Tuesday

September the 26

this day commences with fresh breeze and rainy  
wether from the N E ship under moderate sail  
heading W employed in stowing down latter part  
finished winds lite so ends this day

Wednesday

September the 27

this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant  
wether from the N E ship under moderate sail head-  
ing E middle part the same saw a whale lowered



The Cockth Sea B, F Gibbs Martin 1854

2 boats for him but did not get fast saw a number of ships latter part the same so ends this day

Thursday

September the 28

this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant weather from the W<sup>W</sup> E ship under all sail heading

I saw a plenty of whales lowered the boats and chased till night but did not get fast saw 4 sails so ends this day

Friday

September the 29

this day commences with strong breeze and pleasant weather from the W<sup>W</sup> ship under moderate sail heading

W<sup>W</sup> E saw whales lowered the boats but did not get fast latter part wind lite spoke the Benjamin

Tucker Capt Sands 9 whales got a vite whale and had 3 men lost so ends this day

Saturday

September the 30

this day commences with lite breeze and pleasant weather from the W<sup>W</sup> ship under all sail heading

I W<sup>W</sup> middle part saw whales lowered for them but no luck saw a number of ships some a boiling and one a cutting latter part the same so ends this day

## OCTOBER

Sunday the 1

this day commences with strong breezes and rugged weather from the A ship under moderate sail heading

W<sup>W</sup> saw 10 whales and lowered latter part it blowing strong lowered again the Starboard boat capsized along

side of the ship and the Fourth mate was drowned got the boat and came on board took in the fore and

mirren topsails so ends the day

Monday

October the 2

this day commences with strong gales and rainy weather from the W<sup>W</sup> E ship under moderate sail heading

W<sup>W</sup> middle and latter part the same so ends the day



Ship Speedwell of Fairhaven Cruising In

Tuesday

October the 3

this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant weather from the ESE ship under moderate sail heading S middle part saw whales and lowered for them without success latter part winds lite so ends the day

Wednesday

October the 4

this day commences with moderate gale from the NNE ship bore to heading W middle part the same latter part more moderate saw 3 sails so ends the day

Thursday

October the 5

this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant weather from the NNE ship ship under all sail heading S W saw whales and lowered but no success latter part moderate gale shortened sail so ends the day

Friday

October the 6

this day commences with moderate gale and squally weather from the W ship under double reef fore and main topsails heading NNE saw a sail middle and latter part the same so ends the day

Saturday

October the 7

this day commences with moderate gale from the NNE ship under double reef main topsail and main spencer heading WSW saw 2 ships latter part set the foresail so ends the day

Sunday

October the 8

this day commences with strong gale and ragged weather from the NNE ship under double reef main topsail heading NNE middle part the same but squally at 2 PM kept off and squared the yards steering SSE latter part the same so ends the day



The Catch Sea B, F Gibbs Master. 1854

Monday

October the 9

this day commences with strong wind from the N W ship under double reef topsails and foresail steering S by E first part spoke the Barque Hooy by Capt Coale 300 barrels latter part went out of the passage steering E S E with the land in sight so ends the day

Tuesday

October the 10

this day commences with strong gale and rugged with in from the N W ship under close reef main topsail and fore sail steering E by S middle part the same latter part steering E so ends the day

Wednesday

October the 11

this day commences with fresh breeze and squally with in from the W ship under all sail steering E middle part the same latter part strong gale sending under double reef topsails fore sail so ends the day

Thursday

October the 12

this day commences with strong gales and squally from the W ship under close reef main topsail and fore sail at 7 A.M. dare not run any longer took in the foresail and luffed to the wind latter part more moderate so ends the day

Friday

October the 13

this day commences with strong gales from the N W ship a lashing to at 7 A.M. kept off steering E set the fore topsail and foresail middle part the same latter part quite moderate ship under all sail so ends the day

Saturday

October the 14

this day commences with strong gales and squally with in from the W ship under close reef main topsail and fore sail steering E middle part the same latter part the gale increased took in the fore sail and luffed to the wind it blowing tremendously so ends the day



Ship Speedwell of Fairhaven Cruising In The  
Sunday October the 15

This day commences with lite breeze and pleasant  
wether from the West ship under all sail steering  
E by S broke out for a foretopmast stay sail broke  
out from broad latter part winds from the N blowing  
rather hard and rainy so ends the day

Monday

October the 16

This day commences with strong gale from the E  
ship under close reef main top sail heading S S E  
middle part the same latter part wind shifted to N  
W at 4 P.M. kept of steering E S E at the fore sail  
so ends the day

Tuesday

October the 17

This day commences with lite breeze and pleasant  
wether from the S W ship under all sail steer-  
ing E S E broke out for water sent up the  
foretopmast standing sail latter part winds from the  
S so ends the day

Wednesday for 2 P.M. no man

Thursday October the 18

~~Thursday~~ This day commences with fine breeze and pleasant  
wether from the N W ship under all sail  
steering S E by E sent up main topmast  
gallant mast and yard middle and latter part the  
same so ends the day

October the 19

This day commences with lite breeze and pleasant  
wether from the N W ship under all sail  
steering E S E sent up the foretop gallant  
mast middle part the same latter part wind  
from the E N E ship heading S E and rainy  
so ends the day

Friday

October the 20

This day commences with strong breeze and  
rainy wether from the E N E ship under double reef  
main top sail and fore sail heading S E middle part  
the same latter part wind S by W becomes S S E



Catch A B F Gibbs Marten 1854

more moderate set the fore and main top sails and  
gib so ends the day

Saturday

October the 21

This day commences with strong breeze and rainy  
weather from the S ship under double reef top  
sails heading E S E middle part the same latter part  
rainy and squally took in gib and mainsail so.

Sunday

October the 22

This day commences with lite breeze and pleasant weather  
from the S S E ship under all sail heading middle  
part sent up fore top gallant mast and bent the sail  
latter part wind E S E heading N E caught a sun fish  
so ends the day

Monday

October the 23

This day commences with lite breeze and pleasant weather  
from the S S E ship under all sail heading  
E middle part the same breeze set for gib and latter  
part wind S heading E S E so ends the day

Tuesday

October the 24

This day commences with lite breeze and pleasant weather  
from the N W ship under all sail steering E S E hands  
employed in different jobs latter part wind E  
heading S S E so ends the day

Lat 38:31 N Long 167:00

Wednesday

October the 25

This day commences with strong breeze and pleasant  
weather from the S S W ship under double reef top sails  
steering S E by E middle part more moderate made  
all sail hands employed in different jobs  
about the ship latter part the same

so ends the day

Lat 37:31 Long 163:00 W



Ship Speedwell of Fairhaven Bound To the  
Thursday

October the 26

This day commences with lite breeze and pleasant  
weather from the S W ship under all sail  
steering S E by E hands employed in ships duty  
broke out for water latter part wind from the  
N W and fine weather so ends the day

~~Friday~~

Lat 35:30 Long 160:30

Friday

October the 27

this day commences with fresh breeze and ple  
asant weather from the N ship under all sail  
steering S E by E hands employed in washing  
bone mill part the same latter part wind  
from the E N E ship heading S E so ends the

Saturday

Lat 33:40

October the 28

this day commences with strong breeze and pleasant  
weather from N by W ship under all sail heading  
S E by E hands employed in washing and  
drying bone latter part same broke out  
for a barrel of meat and Molasses so ends the

Sunday

Lat 32:8 Long 157:30

October the 29

this day commences with strong breeze and  
pleasant weather from the E ship heading E S E  
middle part wind from the S W heading S E  
by E hands employed in drying bone latter  
part the same so ends the day

Monday

Lat 30:50 N

October the 30

Long 152:47 W

This day commences with strong breeze and rainy  
weather from the E ship under double reef topsails  
heading E S E middle part heavy squalls with thunder  
and lightning latter part the same last  
night spoke the Barque Rager of N Bedford

Tuesday

Lat 28:30 N

October the 31

broke out for a barrel  
of meat



Sanwich Island B. F. Lytle Mar 1854  
Tuesday

October the 31

this day commences with rainy weather and heavy  
gales from the Westward ship heading to the South  
ward under double reef main topsail and fore sail  
middle part strong breezes from the West ship steering  
N latter part the same so ends the day of the  
month

## NOVEMBER

Thursday the 1

Lat 28:41 N

this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant  
weather from the N. W. ship under all sail steering  
N first part spoke the ship Samuel Robinson Capt  
Thasborn hands employed in bundling bone

latter part winds lite so ends the day

Thursday

broke out for water = Lat 25:27 N

November the 2

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant  
weather from the N. W. ship steering N by W middle  
part the same hands employed in bundling bone latter  
part wind from N ship steering N by W going 3 knots  
so ends the day

Friday

November the 3

this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant weather  
from the N. E. ship under all sail steering  
N. W. employed coasting ship L. middle part  
saw the Island of Nacai saw a sail latter part  
finished coasting ship got up the chains and  
bent them so ends the day

Saturday

November the 4

this day commences with light breeze and

the Sanwich Island



4111 Lincolnton of Edgar. Board on

the 1st of Sept on board second mate of  
the ship Lincolnton. Captain. Peter. another  
of the same name and stood to sea and on  
the 1st of Sept on shore at the same time  
and went on sea.

December the 3rd  
from the 1st of Sept 3 miles South  
of the 1st of Sept on the 1st  
of the 1st of Sept on the 1st  
of the 1st of Sept on the 1st

December the 4th this day commences with



How much time in the house



1854 Ship Vineyard of Edgartown bound on Friday November 17<sup>th</sup> 1854

Got underway and proceeded to Oahu, light and baffling breezes. Latter part calm. So ends this day.

Saturday November 18<sup>th</sup> 1854

This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather. Saw several sails bound for Oahu. So ends this day.

Sunday November 19<sup>th</sup> 1854

This day commences with light winds and pleasant weather. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Monday November 20<sup>th</sup> 1854

Made the land early this morning: after breakfast, the captain went ashore, the ship laying off and on. At four P.M. came aboard and we proceeded on our way, Steering S. S. E.

Wednesday November 22<sup>nd</sup> 1854

This day commenced with strong breeze from the N. E. by E. with rugged weather. All hands employed in ships duty. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Tuesday December 5<sup>th</sup> 1854

This day commences with light breezes from the E. by S. pleasant weather, and ship under full sail. All hands employed in ships duty. Cruising on the line. So ends this day. Latitude 3° 2' S.

Wednesday December 6<sup>th</sup> 1854

This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N. N. E. Raised a school of sperm whales. The starboard boat struck two and killed them; the waist boat struck one and killed him. Got the whales alongside by 6 P.M. Look in the light sails, and closed up the foretop sail. So ends this day.





1854

a Sperm Whaling Cruise. Thos. N. Fisher, master  
Thursday December 7<sup>th</sup> 1854

This day commences with strong breezes and pleasant weather from the N.E. Called all hands at daybreak and furlled the fore and mizzen topsails, then began to cut in and finished at night. After supper the larboard watch commenced to clear away the heads and the starboard watch finished. So ends this day.

Friday December 8<sup>th</sup> 1854

This day commences with moderate breezes and pleasant weather from the N.E. Ship under double reefed topsails, and jib, trying out. Wore ship at 9 A.M. heading S.E. by E. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Saturday December 9<sup>th</sup> 1854

This day commences with moderate breezes and pleasant weather from the E. Finished trying out. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Sunday December 10<sup>th</sup> 1854

This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather from the E. by S. All hands occupied in cleaning ship. Saw a ship heading N.E. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Monday December 11<sup>th</sup> 1854

This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather from the E. by S. All hands employed in ship's duty. Ship under moderate sail. Wore ship at 12 P.M. steering S.E. by S. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Tuesday December 12<sup>th</sup> 1854

This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather from the E. S. E. Ship heading W. N. W. Saw a pinback. Middle part luffed up N. N. W. All hands employed in ship's duty. Coming about the line. Latter part the same. So ends this day.



1834.

Ship Vineyard of Edgartown bound on a  
Wednesday December 13<sup>th</sup> 1834

This day commences with moderate breezes and pleasant weather from the E. by N. ship under easy sail heading W by N. All hands employed in ships duty. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Thursday December 14<sup>th</sup> 1834

This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather from the E. by N. ship under whole topsails and foresail steering S.W. by S. Stowed down today. At noon ship steering W. N. W. Latter part the same. So ends this day.

Friday December 15<sup>th</sup> 1834

This day commences with moderate breeze and pleasant weather from the E. by S. Ship under whole topsails, <sup>sail</sup> forecastle and jib steering N.W. by W. All hands employed in ships duties. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Saturday December 16<sup>th</sup> 1834

This day commences with strong breezes and pleasant weather from the Eastward ship under double reefed topsails and courses, cruising and steering S. by E. All hands employed in ships duties. Saw a ship steering N.W. by W. Middle and latter part the same. The cook was badly and sent forward to live on account of impudence and negligence. So ends this day.

Sunday December 17<sup>th</sup> 1834

This day commences with strong breeze and pleasant weather from the E. S. E. ship under moderate sail steering S.W. by W. Middle part the same. Latter part the same. Saw whales, but did not come. So ends this day.



1854

Sperron Whaling Cruise. Capt Thos N. Fisher  
Monday December 18<sup>th</sup> 1854.

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the F. N. F. ship under full sail steering N. All hands employed in setting up rigging. Middle part saw a ship. Latter part the same. So ends this day.

Tuesday December 19<sup>th</sup> 1854.  
This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N. F. by N. ship under full sail steering N. At daylight braced round heading S. S. W. Broke out for shoals for the Cooper. Saw a sail. Middle part more ship heading N. W. by W. All hands employed in taring down, and other jobs. Latter part the same. So ends this day.

Wednesday December 20<sup>th</sup> 1854.  
This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the F. by N. ship under full sail steering W. Middle part ship steering N. W. Part employed in rattling down and part in taring down.

Thursday December 21<sup>st</sup> 1854  
Saw sperm whales this morning and landed; the larboard boat struck one and killed him. Got him alongside. Latter part and cut him in. light breezes and pleasant weather. Saw a large school of black fish.

Friday December 22<sup>nd</sup> 1854.  
This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the F. ship under moderate sail steering S by E  $\frac{1}{2}$  E. Tying out. Saw a school of black fish. Saw a sail. Middle part tacked ship, steering N. N. E. Latter part the same. So ends this day.

Saturday December 23<sup>rd</sup> 1854.  
This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the F. S. F. ship under all sail steering N. E. More ship at 5 A.M. heading S.



1854 Ship Vineyard of Edgartown bound on  
Middle part the same. Latter part broke  
out for water. So ends this day.

Sunday December 24<sup>th</sup> 1854

This day commences with strong breezes  
and rugged weather from the E. by N. ship  
under double-reefed topsails steering S. E. by S.  
Middle part the same. Latitude 10° 48' S

Monday December 25<sup>th</sup> 1854

This day commences with light breezes and  
pleasant weather from the E. N. E. ship under  
single-reefed topsails and courses, steering S.  
Middle part the same. All hands employed  
in ship's duties. Still cruising on the line  
Latter part steering S. S. E. So ends this day.

Tuesday December 26<sup>th</sup> 1854

This day commences with light breezes and  
pleasant weather from the E. N. E. ship under  
moderate sail steering S. Middle part ship  
steering S. S. E. All hands employed in  
ship's duties. Latter part the same. So ends  
this day.

Wednesday December 27<sup>th</sup> 1854

This day commences with strong breezes and  
pleasant weather from the N. E. by N. ship  
under moderate sail steering W. N. W. Middle  
part stored down. Luffed up to N. W.  
Latter part the same. So ends this day.

Thursday December 28<sup>th</sup> 1854

This day commences with light breezes and  
pleasant weather from the N. E. ship under  
moderate sail, steering S. W. Rain shown.  
Middle part steering S. All hands employed  
in ship's duties. Latter part the same. So ends  
this day.

Friday December 29<sup>th</sup> 1854

This day commences with light breezes and  
pleasant weather from the N. E. by E. ship under  
full sail steering N. W. by N. Middle part the same.



1854

a Sperm Whaling Cruise. Tho N. Fisher master  
Saturday December 30<sup>th</sup> 1854.

This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather from the S.S.E. ship under full sail steering W.S.W. Employed in mending old topmast studdingsail. Middle part steering S.W. by W. Latter part steering S.W. by S. So ends this day.

Sunday December 31<sup>st</sup> 1854.  
This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather from the ~~A~~ by S. ship under full sail steering N.N.W. Middle part steering N. Latter part steering S.E. So ends this day.

Monday January 1<sup>st</sup> 1855  
This day commences with strong breezes and pleasant weather from the N.N.E. ship under full sail steering N.W. by W. All hands employed in ship's duties. Middle part wore ship steering E. Slight rain shower. Latter part the same. Latitude 4.45.15.

Tuesday January 2<sup>nd</sup> 1855  
This day commences with strong breezes and squally weather from the N.E. by N. ship under short sail steering E. by S. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Wednesday January 3<sup>rd</sup> 1855  
This day commences with light breezes and cloudy weather from the N.N.E. ship under full sail steering N.W. All hands employed in mending old main topsail. Middle part the same. Latter part (6 P.M.) tacked ship steering E. So ends this day.

Thursday January 4<sup>th</sup> 1855  
This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N.E. by N. ship under full sail steering N.W. by N. All hands occupied in ship's duties. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Friday January 5<sup>th</sup> 1855.  
This day commences with strong breezes and pleasant weather from the N.E. by E. ship



1855. Ship Vineyard of Edgartown bound on a  
under full sail steering N.N.W. All hands  
employed in breaking out water, oil, setting  
up booby and other rigging. Middle and  
latter part the same. So ends this day.

Saturday January 6<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commences with strong breezes and  
pleasant weather from the N.N.E. ship under  
full sail steering N.W. Employed in mending  
mizzen top gallant sail. Middle and latter  
part the same. So ends this day.

Sunday January 7<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commences with strong breezes and  
pleasant weather from the E.N.E. ship  
under moderate sail steering N. Middle  
part the same. At 6 P.M. wore ship heading  
S.E. So ends this day.

Monday January 8<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commences with light breezes and  
pleasant weather from the N.E. by E. ship under  
full sail steering S.E. by S. Saw a Ripsack.  
At 12 A.M. tacked ship steering N. by W.  
All hands employed in ships duties. Latter  
part the same. So ends this day.

Tuesday January 9<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commences with light breezes and  
pleasant weather from the E. ship under full  
sail steering S.S.E. At 8 A.M. tacked ship  
steering N. by E. All hands on deck all day  
to stow down 50 bbls sperm oil from between  
decks to the lower hold. At 4 P.M. wore  
ship steering S.E. by S. So ends this day.


Wednesday This January 10<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commences with light breezes and  
pleasant weather from the E. by N. ship under  
full sail steering S.E. by S. At 12 A.M.  
tacked ship, steering N. 1/2 W. All hands  
employed in ships duties. Latter part  
the same. So ends this day.



1853

Sperm Whale Cruise. Thomas N. Fisher Mast.  
Thursday January 11<sup>th</sup> 1855

 This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather from the E. ship under full sail steering S.S.E. At 5 P.M. raised a school of sperm whales to leeward. Landed away the boat, and the bow boat went out one and the captain killed him. The larboard boat went out another one, and fastened to him; but he took all the line, and they lost him. The waist boat went out one, and he also went off with all the line and spouting blood. The boats came aboard about 6 P.M. and clewed up the foretop sail, and furled the courses and light sails and hove her too. So ends this day.

Friday January 12<sup>th</sup> 1855.  
This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N.E. by E. ship under moderate sail steering E. by S. Trying out. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Saturday January 13<sup>th</sup> 1854.  
This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N.E. by E. ship under full sail steering E.S.E. Middle part the same. Finished trying out. At 6 P.M. tacked ship steering N. by W. So ends this day.

Sunday January 14<sup>th</sup> 1854.  
This day commences with a dead calm, ship under all sail, heading all round the compass. Middle part the same. Latter part saw a school of grampuses. So ends this day.

Monday January 15<sup>th</sup> 1855.  
This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N.E. by E. ship under full sail steering E. by N. Middle part and latter part the same. So ends this day.



1853. Ship Vineyard of Edgartown bound on  
Tuesday 16 January 1853.

This day commenced with nearly a dead calm  
ship under full sail steering N. N. E. Middle  
part wind from the S. W. All hands employed  
in setting rigging and various jobs. Latter part  
wind hauled to the N. W. So ends this day.

Wednesday 17 January 1853.

This day commenced with light breezes and  
pleasant weather from the N. by E. ship under  
full sail steering E. by N. all hands employed  
in ships duties. Middle and latter part the  
same. So ends this day.

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January 1853.

This day commenced with strong breezes and  
pleasant weather from the N. E. by N. ship under  
all sail steering E. by S. Middle part the same.  
All hands employed in ships duties. Latter  
part the same. So ends this day.

Friday 19 January 1853.

This day commenced with strong breezes  
and pleasant weather from the N. E. by N.  
ship under whole topsails and courses steering  
N. W. by N. Stewed down. Middle and latter  
part the same. So ends this day.

Saturday 20 January 1853

This day commenced with strong breezes  
and pleasant weather from the E. N. E.  
ship under easy sail steering N. All  
hands on deck all day to break out  
between decks, to stow down anew. Middle  
and latter part the same. At C. P. M.  
more ship steering S. E. by S. So ends this day.

Sunday 21 January 1853.

This day commenced with strong breezes  
and pleasant weather from the E. N. E.  
ship under full sail steering N. Middle  
part saw a school of sperm whales going fresh  
to mind, so did not come. At 4 P. M.



1853

Sperm Whaling Cruise J. N. Fisher Master  
tacked ship steering S.E. by S. Latter part the  
same. So ends this day.

Monday 22 January 1853.

This day commences with light breezes and  
pleasant weather from the E. by N. ship under  
full sail steering N. by E. Middle and latter  
part the same. All hands employed in ships  
duties. So ends this day.

Tuesday 23 January 1853.

This day commences with strong breezes and pleas-  
ant weather from the E. by N. ship under easy  
sail steering S.W. At 12 A.M. tacked round, steering  
N.W. Middle and latter part the same. So  
ends this day.

Wednesday 24 January 1853.

This day commences with strong breezes and  
pleasant weather from the E. by N. ship under  
whole topsails and courses steering S.E. by S. 1/2 S.  
Engaged in making ratline stuff. Middle and  
latter part the same. Saw a sail. So ends this day.

Thursday 25 January 1853.

This day commences with strong breezes and  
rugged weather from the N.E. by E. ship under  
double reefed topsails steering S.E. All hands  
employed in ships duties. Middle and latter  
part the same. So ends this day.

Friday 26 January 1853.

This day commences with strong breezes and  
pleasant weather from the E. N.E. ship under  
moderate sail steering S. All hands engaged  
in ships duties. Middle and latter part the  
same. So ends this day.

Saturday 27 January 1853.

This day commences with strong breezes and  
pleasant weather from the N.E. ship under full  
sail steering S.W. At 12 A.M. tacked round  
steering S.E. All hands employed in ship duties.  
Latter part the same. So ends this day.



1855 Ship Vineyard of Edgartown bound on a  
Sunday January 28<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commences with light breezes and  
pleasant weather from the N. E. by E. ship under  
full sail steering N. W. At 12 A. M. raised a  
school of sperm whales; lowered the boats  
the larboard boat went into one and killed him  
the bow boat struck one and killed  
him: got them alongside about dark  
saw the fells, and sent the people  
below after taking in sail. So  
ends this day.

Monday January 29<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commences with light breezes and  
pleasant weather from the E. N. E. ship under  
short sail steering S. S. E. Trying out. Latter part  
reaped the topsails. So ends this day.

Tuesday January 30<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commences with light breezes and  
pleasant weather from N. E. ship under  
moderate sail steering E. S. E. Trying out.  
At 12 A. M. nose ship steering N. N. W.  
Saw jumpers and sperm whales. Latter part  
the same. So ends this day.

Wednesday January 31<sup>st</sup> 1855.

This day commences with strong breezes and  
pleasant weather from the N. E. ship under  
short sail steering N. W. by N. Finished trying  
out this morning. At 12 A. M. brace main  
steering W. Latter part luffed up to N. W.  
by W. So ends this day.

THURSDAY February 1<sup>st</sup> 1855.

This day commences with light breezes and  
pleasant weather from the N. E. by E. ship  
under short sail steering N. W. by W. Engaged  
in various little jobs about the ship. Middle and  
latter part the same. So ends this day.



1855

Sperm Whaling Cruise: Thomas A. Fisher Master  
Friday February 2<sup>nd</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the E. N. E. ship under full sail steering N. At 11 A.M. made Roaches island bearing N. E. A number of canoes came along side to trade coconuts. At 4 P.M. took our departure steering S. So ends this day.

Saturday February 3<sup>rd</sup> 1855.

This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather from the E. by N. ship under full sail steering S. E. by S. Stowed down. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Sunday February 4<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from N. E. ship under full sail steering all round the compass, most of the time not having storage way on her. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Monday February 5<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N. W. ship under full sail steering S. E. Middle part luffed to the wind steering N. N. E. Rain squalls. Latter part wind from the S. ship steering N. So ends this day.

Tuesday February 6<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commences with strong breezes and pleasant weather from the N. ship under full sail steering E. N. E. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Wednesday February 7<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commences with strong breezes and pleasant weather from the N. N. E. ship under whole top, sails and courses steering E. Drove out for flag. Middle part the same. At 6 P.M. none ship heading N. N. by N. So ends this day.

Thursday February 8<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the E. N. E. ship under



1855 Ship Vineyard of Edgartown bound on a full sail steering N.W. by N. Engaged in ship's duties. Middle part luffed up to N. by N. Latter part the same. So ends this day.

Friday February 9<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N. and E. ship under full sail steering from N by W. to N.W. by W. Saw a sail. Middle part saw grampuses. Latter part the same. So ends this day.

Saturday February 10<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N. by E. ship under full sail, steering N.W. by W. 1/2 W. All hands engaged in ship's duties. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Sunday February 11<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N.E. ship under full sail steering N.W.W. Middle part wind shifted to E. N.E. ship steering N. Latter part the same. So ends this day.

Monday February 12<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather. from the E. ship under full sail steering W. Last night saw in the middle watch what was supposed to be a light ashore hauled aback the main yard, but at daylight could see nothing, braced forward and proceeded on our way. Supposed to be a star. All hands employed in mending the mainsail. At 12 A.M. luffed the ship up to N.W. by N. Latter part bent the mainsail. So ends this day.

Tuesday February 13<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather from the E. by S. ship under full sail steering W. All hands employed in mending the foresail. Middle part luffed to N.W. Latter part the same. So ends this day.



1855

Sperm Whaling Cruise. Tho. N. Fisher Mast.  
Wednesday February 14<sup>th</sup> 1855.

At daylight this morning raised Ocean High island bearing E. S. E.; by 10 o'clock came up with it, and sent a boat ashore to trade for chickens and wood. Mr. Caswell got a boatload of wood, a few chickens, and eggs. Whilst trading, spoke the ship Spedwell Capt. Gibbs, 50 bbls sperm this cruise; at four o'clock Capt. Fisher went aboard and staid till eight o'clock. When he returned, braced forward steering N. W. So ends the day.

Thursday February 15<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N. E. ship under full sail steering N. N. W. Sail in sight at 12 A. M. braced round steering W. S. W. All hands engaged in ship's duties. At 4 P. M. saw a school of killers; lowered away the boats, but chased without success. So ends this day.

Friday February 16<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather from the E. N. E. ship under full sail steering W. S. W. Poked out for water. About 2 P. M. saw Finbacks. Luffed up to S. S. E. Latter part the same. So ends this day.

Saturday February 17<sup>th</sup> 1855

Made the land this morning at daylight bearing N. N. W. At 8 A. M. canoes came off to trade pigs, fowls &c. The captain got their stuff of them for muskels and tobacco. Three Englishmen came off in boats belonging to the whaling brig "Inga" of New Bedford which was taken at this island 3 years since. At 1 P. M. took our departure steering N. wind E. N. E. So ends this day.

Sunday February 18<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather from the S. E. ship under full sail steering N. N. W. All hands employed in ship's duties. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.



1855 Ship Vineyard of Edgartown bound on  
Monday February 19<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commences with light breezes and  
pleasant weather from the S.E. by E. ship under  
all sail steering N.W. by W. Middle part broke  
out for water and set up main top gallant back  
stay. Latter part little or no wind. So ends this  
day.

Tuesday February 20<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commences with light breezes and pleas-  
ant weather from the N.E. ship under full sail  
steering N.W. All hands on deck all day to  
break out the beef and pork to cooper it. It  
amounted to 66 bbls beef and 34 bbls pork. Finished  
at 3 P.M., washed decks. At supper time saw  
Finbacks. So ends this day.

Wednesday February 21<sup>st</sup> 1855

This day commences with strong breezes and  
ragged weather from the from the N.E. ship  
under whole topsails and courses steering  
N.W.W. This morning in a squall parted  
the jib halliards, tearing the sail considerably.  
parted the main tack and sheet, mizzen top-  
sail brace, and fore Spencer vang. all of these  
being rotten, and of course unfit for use. At  
10 A.M. kept the ship off to N.W. and double  
reefed the foretop sail, and single reefed the  
main and mizzen topsails. Many thin squalls.  
Middle part the same. Latter part turned one  
reef out of the foretop sail, and luffed up to  
N.W.W. So ends this day.

Thursday February 22<sup>nd</sup> 1855.

This day commences with strong breezes and  
ragged weather from the N.E. ship under double  
reefed topsails and courses steering N.W. by N.  
Sent up a new maintop sail this morning in place  
of the old one which goes up forward. Passed  
Strong Island at daylight this morning. Middle  
part kept off to N.W. by N. So ends this day.



Sperm Whaling Cruise. The N. Fisher Mast.  
Friday February 23<sup>rd</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with strong breezes and rugged weather from the N.E. ship under the same sail steering W.W. by W. Mended the old maintopsail. Heavy squalls. Middle and latter part the same. Latitude  $7^{\circ} 54' N$ . So ends this day. Long.  $169^{\circ} 39' W$ .

Saturday February 24<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with strong breezes and rugged weather from the N.E. ship under same sail steering W.W.W. Sent down the fore and main topsail gallant sails - mended the main topgallant sail and sent it up again - ripped up the foretopgallant sail. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Sunday February 25<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with strong breezes and pleasant weather from the N.E. ship under same sail steering W.W.W. Shook the reefs out and set the topgallant sails, the wind having moderated. Middle and latter part the same. Lat.  $11^{\circ} 6' N$  - Long.  $155^{\circ} 24' E$ . So ends this day.

Monday February 26<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with strong breezes and pleasant weather from the N.E. ship under full sail, steering W.W.W. Sent down the foretopsail this morning and sent up another one, and a new foretopgallant sail. Middle part set up bobstays and springstays. Kept off to W.  $\frac{1}{2}$  N. Latter part the same. Lat.  $12^{\circ} 6' N$  - Long.  $153^{\circ} E$ .

Tuesday February 27<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N.E. ship under all sail steering W.  $\frac{1}{2}$  N. Sent up a foretopmast studding sail, the captain being anxious to arrive on account of the serious illness of Mr. Tucker the 3<sup>rd</sup> mate. Broke out for under way all hands being on deck till dinner time. Middle part steering W. Latter part the same.



1855.

Ship Vineyard of Edgartown bound to  
Wednesday February 28<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N.E. ship under same sail steering W by N  $\frac{1}{2}$  N. Middle and latter part the same. Lat  $13^{\circ} 1' N$  Long  $147^{\circ} 22' E$ . So Ends this day.

Thursday March 1<sup>st</sup> 1855.

This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N.E. ship under all sail steering W by N. At daylight made the land sight ahead, and at 4 P.M. took the pilot, and proceeded into the harbor, where let go the anchor at sunset. Went aboard the French ship Genl. Teste and got a doctor for an Irish mate. Went aboard the Concord. So ends this day in port.

Friday March 4<sup>th</sup> 1855.

Since the last date the larboard watch have had their liberty: they came aboard Wednesday afternoon, and the starboard watch went ashore. Employed in taking wood aboard, ten cords in all, and fresh provisions. So Ends this day in port.

Saturday March 10<sup>th</sup> 1855.

Inspected the ship this morning in search of runaways, but found none. Took a boatload of sweet potatoes in the forenoon, and in the afternoon another load and also a load of bananas. About dark the liberty men came off, with the exception of the blacksmith who has been minding a day. Squally weather. The Montreal sailed this afternoon. So ends this day in port.

Sunday March 11<sup>th</sup> 1855.

Bordered several ships in search of the blacksmith but with no success. The Arab sailed this morning. Weather quite squally. Went aboard the Concord.

Monday March 12<sup>th</sup> 1855.

Ran the catfall and fish tackle preparatory to



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the island of Guam. Thomas N. Fisher was taking the anchor to morrow. Smoked the ship but discharged no one. Took a boat load of potatoes aboard. So ends this day in port.

Tuesday March 13<sup>th</sup> 1855

Yesterday afternoon found the blacksmith aboard the Eng. Bark "Mary", and brought him aboard. A colored man, known as "Jemmy Ducks" ran away last night, but was found aboard the Bark "Cassack" this morning. At 10 A.M. took the anchor and proceeded down the coast to Umatac Bay to get water where we arrived soon after meridian. Sent one raft of 8 casks ashore. Found the "Phoenix" of New London here and soon after we let go, the "Young Hector" arrived. The "Phoenix" sailed in the afternoon. So ends this day in Umatac bay.

Wednesday March 14<sup>th</sup> 1855

Sent a raft of 14 casks ashore and stowed down the first raft. Took a boat load of potatoes aboard, and sent a raft of 16 casks ashore. Stowing down all day. So ends this day in port.

Thursday March 15<sup>th</sup> 1855.

Sent a raft of 6 casks ashore. The "Junior" and "Abigail" of New Bedford arrived and the "Young Hector" sailed. Took the anchor at meridian, and went to sea, Guam bearing S  $\frac{1}{2}$  W. So ends this day.

Friday March 16<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with strong breezes and rugged weather from the ~~N.E.~~ ship double reefed topsails and foresail steering N. Middle part set the jib and mainsail. Latter part the same. So ends this day.

Saturday March 17<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with strong breezes and rugged weather from the ~~N.E.~~ ship under <sup>dam</sup> full sail steering N. Sent down the royal masts and yards. Latter part shook me reef out the main topsail.

Sunday March 18<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the ~~N.E.~~ ship under all sail.



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Trip Vineyard of Edgartown bound on a steamer N.Y.D. Heavy rain shower. Hands employed in various duties about ship. The captain opened the stop chest this afternoon for thick clothing. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Tuesday March 20<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with strong breezes and cloudy weather from the N.N.E. ship under all sail steering N.W. Hands employed in various duties. Carpenter and myself repairing the bow boat. Middle part mild more moderate. Latter part the same. So ends this day.

Wednesday March 21<sup>st</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light and baffling winds and cloudy weather from the N.N.E. ship under full sail steering N.W. Bent a new spanker and a jib. Hands engaged in ship duties. Some person unknown made way with the cook's axe and saw last night. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Thursday March 22<sup>nd</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with strong breezes and pleasant weather from the N.E. ship under all sail steering N.W. Hands engaged in ship duties. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Friday March 23<sup>rd</sup> 1855

This day commenced with strong breezes and rugged weather from the N.N.E. ship under moderate sail steering N. At dinner time the wind veered to the S. ship under steering N.E. Hands engaged in ship duties. Latter part the same. So ends this day.

Sunday March 25<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with low strong breezes and rugged weather from the N.W. ship under double reefed topsails and courses steering N.N.W. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Monday March 26<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and



<sup>Monday</sup>  
From Making Cruise to the Bonin Islands, D. N. Fisher  
pleasant weather from the N. ship under full  
sail steering E. N. E. Made the land called  
Bailey's Islands, a small group of high rocky islands  
right ahead. Hands engaged in ship duties. At  
2 P.M. kept off S. with an island on the starboard  
bow. Latter part the same. So ends this day.

Tuesday March 27<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleas-  
ant weather from the N. N. E. ship under all sail  
steering S. Made one of the Bonin Islands this morning  
and cruised round it all day. Saw the ships "Irish"  
"Geny" "Swift" and "Martha"; the captain went aboard  
the "Martha". So ends this day.

Wednesday March 28<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with strong breezes and pleas-  
ant weather from the E. ship under double reefed  
topsails and courses steering N. N. E. Saw the "Martha"  
to leeward. At 2 P.M. took in the mainsail and jib  
and wore ship. At sunset ~~double~~ close reefed the  
topsails and furlled the foresail. So ends this day.

Thursday March 29<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with strong gales from the  
S. E. by S ship under close reefed topsail and staysail  
hove too, heading S. W. by S. Sent down the foretop  
gallant yard & mizzen top gallant mast and yards.  
The "Martha" in sight ahead, and two islands in  
sight. Middle and latter part the same. So ends  
this day.

Friday March 30<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light and baffling winds  
from the N. and N. ship under full sail cruising  
round the land. Three ships in sight. Middle  
and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Saturday March 31<sup>st</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant  
weather from the N. N. by N. ship under all sail  
steering N. by S. Cruising round the land. Three ships  
in sight. At midnight ship steering N. E. by S. and  
in the day



1855 Ship Vineyard of Edgartown bound to  
Sunday April 1<sup>st</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with light breezes and pleas-  
ant weather from the N. by E. ship under full sail  
steering E. by N. Middle and latter part the same.  
So ends this day.

Monday April 2<sup>nd</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleas-  
ant weather from the E. by N. ship under all sail  
steering N. by E. Hands occupied in ships duties. Saw  
plenty of humpbacks. Passed three small islands.  
Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Tuesday April 3<sup>rd</sup> 1855

This day commenced with strong gales from the  
E. S. E. ship under close reefed main top sail and staysail  
heading N. N. E. Middle part the same. Latter part  
hoisted up the boats and hove her too. So ends this day.

Wednesday April 4<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with same as yesterday ship  
under close reefed topsails and fore and main spruce  
heading N. N. E. Middle and latter part the same. So ends  
this day.

Friday April 6<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with strong breezes and  
rough weather ship under whole topsails and  
courses steering N. Hands employed in ships  
duties. Middle and latter part the same. So  
ends this day.

Saturday April 7<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with strong breezes and  
pleasant weather from the N. by W. ship under  
single reefed topsails and courses steering N. E. by  
E. Picked up a large piece of timber apparently  
belonging to Chinese or Japanese Junk. Middle  
and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Sunday April 8<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and  
pleasant weather from the W. N. W. ship under  
all sail steering N. E. Middle part the same.



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the Ochotsk Sea. Thomas A. Fisher M<sup>st</sup>.  
At 4 P.M. raised two right whales going to windward.  
Lowered all four boats in chase but no success.  
Came aboard at sundown. So Ends this day.

Monday April 9<sup>th</sup> 1855.  
This day commences with strong breezes and rugged  
weather from the W by N. ship under all sail steering  
N. by W. Saw a right whale, being rugged did not  
lower. Wind increasing double reefed the topsails  
and furled the courses. Middle part the same. At  
4 P.M. close reefed and hove her too. So Ends this day.

Tuesday April 10<sup>th</sup> 1855  
This day commences with strong breezes and rugged  
weather from the N.W. ship under close reefed  
topsails, hove too heading N.E. at meridian  
set the reefed foresail. Latter part shook one  
reef out of the main topsail and set the mainsail.  
Saw a right whale. So Ends this day.

Wednesday April 11<sup>th</sup> 1855  
This day commences with light breezes and cloudy  
weather from the N.W. ship under all sail  
steering N.N.E. Hands employed in ship's duties.  
Middle part the same. Latter part luffed up  
to N. by W. So Ends this day.

Thursday April 12<sup>th</sup> 1855  
This day commences with strong breezes and cloudy  
weather from the W. by S. ship under single reefed  
topsails steering N.W. by W. After dinner wet down  
the hold, having discovered a leakage of oil. Latter  
part a dense wet fog set in. So Ends this day.

Friday April 13<sup>th</sup> 1855.  
This day commences with strong breezes and rugged  
weather from the W. ship under close reefed topsails  
and courses steering N.W. by N. Dense fog at Meridian  
shook one reef out and kept to N.E. by N. Wet down  
the hold. Latter part clear cold weather. So Ends this  
day.

Saturday April 14<sup>th</sup> 1855  
This day commences with fresh gales and rugged



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Ship Vineyard of Edgartown bound to  
 weather from the W by S. ship under close  
 reefed fore and main topsail steering N. E.  
 After breakfast set the reefed foresail. Frequent  
 snow squalls and intensely cold. Wet down the  
 hold. Middle part the same. Latter part  
 moderated, and shook one reef out of each  
 topsail and set the mainsail and jib. Put  
 down the foretopmast studding sail boom. Same  
 land bearing N. So ends this day.

Sunday April 15<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with moderate wind and  
 muggy weather from the N. N. W. ship under single  
 reefed topsails steering N. E. Very cold. Middle  
 part the same. Wet down the hold. So ends this day.

Monday April 16<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commences with light breezes and pleasant  
 weather from the S. S. W. ship under all sail steering  
 N. N. E. Middle part steering N. by E. Wet down  
 the hold. Latter part being near the land, took  
 in the mizzen topsail and close reefed the fore  
 and main topsails. Snow squalls. So ends this day.

Tuesday April 17<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with strong breeze and  
 snow storms from the N. W. ship under all sail  
 steering N. N. E. Raised the land soon after  
 breakfast and the wind increasing took in the  
 light sails and double reefed the topsails.  
 Commenced to beat through the straits. Wind  
 being squally shortened sail several times. So  
 ends this day.

Wednesday April 18<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and  
 pleasant weather from the S. E. ship under all  
 sail steering N. N. W. Put up the anchor and forge  
 to make sundry articles. Middle part nearly a  
 dead calm. Latter part more wind. Saw a  
 right whale but did not lower being anxious to  
 get on the Bowhead ground. So ends this day.



Becholsk Sea. Thomas A. Fisher, Master,  
Thursday April 19<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commences with strong breezes and rugged weather from the S.E. ship under close reefed fore and main topsail and foresail steering N.W. by W. After breakfast the wind increasing, called all hands and hove her too under close reefed main topsail. The wind had now amounted to a tremendous gale, and the main topsail sheet parted which took nearly all the forenoon to repair. Carried away the mizzen topmast which was put at the main. A heavy sea nearly washed the bow boat from the cranes, and badly damaged it; rigged tackle aloft and after great labor got her in on deck. Latter part moderated considerable. Heavy snow storm all day and very cold. To end this day.

Friday April 20<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commences with moderate breezes and rugged weather from the S.E. ship under close reefed topsails and foresail steering N.W. by W. Hands employed in clearing up. Middle and latter part the same. To end this day.

Saturday April 21<sup>st</sup> 1855

This day commences with light breezes and cloudy weather from the N.W. ship under moderate sail steering E. by S. Slight snow squalls. Put up a crowsnest for'ard. Captain and Carpenter repaired the bowboat. At 12 A.M. wore ship heading N.W. Hands engaged in ship's duties. To end this day.

Sunday April 22<sup>nd</sup> 1855

This day commences with strong breezes and rugged weather from the N. by W. ship under moderate sail steering W. N. W. Hove down the hold. Middle and latter part the same. To end this day.

Monday April 23<sup>rd</sup> 1855

This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N. ship under all sail steering W. N. W. Middle and latter part dead calm. Put up the



1855 Ship (yard of) Odgartown, cruising  
and forge to make spikes and staples.  
Hands employed in ships duties. Saw a large  
school of grampuses. So ends this day.

Tuesday April 24<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commences with a dead calm  
and cold weather. At 9 A.M. a light breeze  
sprang up from the N.E. by N. ship under all  
sail steering N.W. by W. Hands engaged in ships  
duties. Middle and latter part the same. So ends  
this day.

Wednesday April 25<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commences with strong breezes and pleas-  
ant weather from the N.W. by W. ship under moderate  
sail steering N. by E. After breakfast set the main  
topgallant sail and flying jib. Hands engaged in  
ships duties. Latter part tracked ships heading to  
the Westward, winds being light and variable. So  
ends this day.

Thursday This day commences with little or no wind and  
pleasant weather from the N. and E. ship under  
all sail heading all round the compass. Hands  
engaged in ships duties. Repairing gun boat.  
Middle and latter the same. So ends this day.

Friday April 27<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commences with no wind and pleasant  
weather. About 8 A.M. a light breeze sprang up  
from the S.E. ship under all sail steering W.  
Finished repairing the boat. Middle part wind  
increasing. Latter part took in the light sails. So  
ends this day.

Saturday April 28<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commences with strong gales from the  
E. ship under close reefed main top sail steering W.  
Towards midnight the gale moderated considerably  
set whole topsails and courses. Latter part steering  
W. by N. At sundown shortened sail. Expecting  
to be land and ice. So ends this day.



1855  
in the Becholet Sea. Thomas A. Fisher Mast.  
Sunday April 29<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N. ship under all sail steering W. by S. At daylight rose the land bearing N.W. by W. Saw two ships, one boiling out. At 4 A.M. saw bowheads, lowered four boats in chase - chased till noon with no success. Ran down before the wind alongside the ice, heading N. by W. middle and latter part. Saw the "Champion" of Edgerton, and the "India" of New London; the latter boiling out; the captain went aboard of her. Took in every thing but close reefed topsails and lower her too, wind having increased. To End this day.

Tuesday May 1<sup>st</sup> 1855.

This day commences with strong breezes and rugged weather from the S.E. ship under short sail steering W. by W. Towards noon wind moderated very much, set all sail. At 2 P.M. saw whales - lowered all four boats in chase - chased till sundown with no success. Saw the land and ice. To End this day.

Wednesday May 2<sup>d</sup> 1855.

This day commences with strong breezes and rugged weather from the S. by E. ship under double reefed topsails and firsail steering N. by W. Land and ice in sight. About 9 A.M. saw a bowhead with a killer in chase; luffed to the wind heading N. by S. and took in everything but close reefed main topsails. At 6 P.M. wore ship heading W. by S. To End this day.

Thursday May 3<sup>d</sup> 1855

This day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather; ship under moderate sail in the ice. Saw whale after breakfast, lowered four boats in chase; the larboard boat struck and killed him. Took him alongside and cut him in. Lured again after supper but no success. Three ships in sight, two of which are boiling out. Saw in sight. To End this day.



1855 Ship Vineyard of Edgartown cruising in Friday May 4<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the S.S.E. ship under ~~double~~ reefed topsails and foresail steering S.W. Saw whales at daylight and lowered three boats in chase, but a thick fog shutting in they returned. Trying out. No ship at noon, heading E. Three ship in sight and two boiling. So ends this day.

Saturday May 5<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with strong breezes and rugged weather from the N.W. ship under moderate sail heading N.E. by E. No ship at 10 P.M. heading W. Saw the 'Champion' of Edgartown. Finished trying out after supper took in all sail but close reefed main topsail. So ends this day.

Sunday May 6<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with strong breezes and rugged weather from the S.E. ship under same sail standing off and on to the ice. Saw several schools of grampuses and one crooked. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Monday May 7<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the S. ship under all sail steering E.S.E. Staved down. Saw whales in the forenoon and lowered the boats in chase; the starboard boat got fast to a very large whale but the men braved. Lowered twice again this day with no success. Saw two whales taken. So ends the day.

Tuesday May 8<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather ship under all sail cruising round the ice. Saw whales after breakfast and lowered the boats in chase. The starboard boat fastened to a whale and lost him with all the line. At the next rising the waist boat fastened and lost him again with the line. We gave him up for lost when he came up





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to Ocho R Sea. Thomas W. Fisher Master  
and the starboard boat fastened to him, he soon turned  
fire out and we took him alongside and commenced  
cutting in which was finished about 3 A.M. Saw  
ten whales taken. To end this day.

Wednesday May 10 1853.

This day commences with light breezes and pleasant  
weather ship under moderate sail  
cruising. Saw whales after sunrise  
and lowered <sup>B.B.</sup> in chase. The bow boat struck a  
whale and killed him; got him alongside and  
cut in the head. Started the work. Saw the Chas.  
Canell of Nantucket take one whale. To end this day.



Thursday May 11 1853

This day commences with light breezes and  
pleasant weather from the S. ship under moderate  
steering E.S.E. All hands employed in scraping boards.  
Looked for whales at 5 P.M. but no success. To  
end this day.

Friday May 11 1853



This day commences with light  
breezes and pleasant weather. Saw  
a whale and lowered three boats in  
chase. The starboard boat struck  
him and the waist boat killed him. Got him up  
and cut him in. Saw the "Champion" with 3  
whales. To end this day.

Saturday May 14 1853.

This day commences with strong  
breezes and rugged weather from the N by E. ship  
under double reefed topsails and foresail heading  
S.W. by S. Yesterday staved down some of the oil,  
and spoke the "Uligail" Capt. Dyer, 5 whales,  
the "Meteor" Capt. Gexton, 2 whales, and the  
"Ohio" Capt. Pinett, 1 whale. Took in all  
sail, but close reefed maintopsail and fore top  
mast stay sail and coiled down. To end  
this day.



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Ship Vineyard of Edgartown cruising in  
Wednesday May 16<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather from the W.N.W. ship under moderate sail steering S.W. Stowed down. Landed twice to day in chase of whales with no success. Several ships in sight. So ends this day.

Thursday May 17<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather from the S.W. ship under all sail steering S.S.E. Finished trying out. Spoke the "Miles" 5 whales, the Demylee of N. Bedford just from home; and the "Washington" of N. B. Capt Holley. Fourteen ships in sight. So ends the day.

Friday May 18<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather of ship standing off and on to the ice. Lowered the boats four times during the day with no success till the last time when the bow boat struck a large whale and took all his line and part of the waist boat's line and escaped in the ice. The waist boat's line was cut by some means unknown. Saw the "Morton" take a whale. Fifteen ships in sight. So ends this day.

Saturday May 19<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commences with strong breezes and rugged weather from the S.E. ship under close reefed topsails standing off and on to the ice. A number of ships in sight. Lowered the boats in chase of whales; the larboard boat struck one but lost him by the line parting. Spoke the "Florida" of N.B. Capt Little Newhall. After dinner finished stowing down. So ends this day.

Sunday May 20<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commences with light breezes and foggy weather foggy weather from the S. and E. ship under moderate sail cruising. Saw a whale near close to the ship. So ends this day.



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the Acholuk Sea. J. N. Fisher Master  
Monday May 21<sup>st</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with light breezes and foggy weather from the N.E. by N. ship under whole topsails heading N. Most of the day laying with the main yard aback, being in the ice. Spoke the boat of the Young Thetis, clear. Saw 3 ships. So ends this day.

Tuesday May 22<sup>nd</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and foggy weather from the N. ship under moderate sail heading N.W. Wore ships several times. Spoke the Cambria Capt. Pease of N.B. 5 mos out 200 sperm. The captain went aboard and staid till dinner time. Middle and latter the same. So ends this day.

Wednesday May 23<sup>rd</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the S.E. ship moderate sail heading N.W. At 5 A.M. lured in chase of whales with no success & after breakfast lured again, no success. Wind increasing to a moderate gale down to reefed the topsails and took in the jibs. Wore ship several times. 38 ships in sight. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Thursday May 24<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with strong breezes and pleasant weather from the S.E. ship under moderate sail steering S.S.W. Wore ship several times. Saw a ship pick up a stinker. After dinner lured the boats in chase of a whale but no success. In the midst of heavy ice and a large number of ships in sight, but 3 boiling. So ends this day.

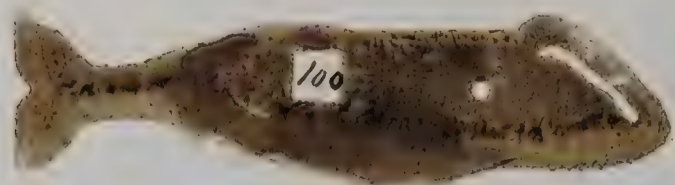
Friday May 25<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and foggy weather from the N. ship under moderate sail steering N.W. Wore ship several times. Saw several ships boiling. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.



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Ship Vineyard of Edgartown cruising in  
Saturday May 26<sup>th</sup> 1853.



S.B.

This day commenced with light breezes and  
foggy weather from the S.S.E. ship under all sail steering S.  
After dinner cleared up, saw  
whales; lowered the boats in  
chase. The starboard boat  
struck a good sized whale and killed him.  
Got him alongside and tied him up and all  
hands went below at 9 P.M. So ends this day.

Sunday May 27<sup>th</sup> 1853

This day commenced with rain and foggy  
weather from the S.S.E. ship under double reefed  
topsails steering W.S.W. Turned out at 1 P.M.  
and cut in the whale. Commenced trying out.  
Saw a strange ship cutting in. So ends this day.

Monday May 28<sup>th</sup> 1853

This day commenced with fresh gales and  
foggy weather from the S.E. by E. ship under  
close reefed topsails heading N.E. by E. Wind  
being very strong, cooled down the masts, middle  
and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Tuesday May 29<sup>th</sup> 1853

This day commenced with light breezes and  
pleasant weather from the E.S.E. ship under  
moderate sail steering N.E. by N. Wore ship several  
times. The "Speedwell" ran close to us, by her  
appearance clear. At 10 P.M. heavy fog set in.  
Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Thursday May 31<sup>st</sup> 1853.



B.B.

This day commenced with light breezes and  
pleasant weather from the S.B. ship under moderate sail steering E.  
N.E. Saw whales at 9 A.M. and  
lowered all the boats in chase; the bow boat struck  
one and killed him. Got him alongside and cut  
him in and commenced plating, baling. Latter part  
foggy. To day lowered one boat in chase of a whale.



the Ochotsk Sea. Thomas N. Fisher Master but we discovered him to be a humpback. Latter part spoke the "Washington" of A. B. 2 whales. Capt. Holey came aboard and our mate went aboard the W. Thick fog set in. So ends this day.

Friday June 1<sup>st</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the E. ship under moderate sail steering N. by E. Commenced stowing down. Stowed 107 bbls oil. Spoke the ship "Adon" Capt. Manchester 2 whales. A large number of ships in sight.

Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Saturday June 2<sup>d</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N.W. by N ship under moderate sail steering on the wind in heavy ice. Lowered the boats after breakfast and pulled into the ice; the starboard boat went onto a large whale and missed him. After dinner lowered again no success. Spoke the "Abigail" 7 whales. All hands employed in scraping. Jonas island in sight. So ends this day.

Sunday June 3<sup>d</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the E.N.E. ship under moderate sail steering on the wind, in the ice. Stowed down the remainder of the oil; finished about 9 P.M. Several ships in sight. Latter part foggy. So ends this day.

Monday June 4<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the S.E. ship under whole topsails steering S.S.W. Wore ship several times. At 2 P.M. lowered the boats and pulled into the ice but saw nothing but a sulphur bottom. Came aboard at 5. Latter part foggy. So ends this day.

Tuesday June 5<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commenced moderate breezes and thick weather from the E.S.E. ship under easy sail steering N.W. by E. Standing off and on to the ice. Spoke the "Cornack" Capt. Tripp 3 whales, and the "Harvest" Capt.



1855. Ship Vineyard of Edgartown cruising  
Thursday June 7<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commences with light breezes and foggy weather from the S.S.W ship under all sail steering S.E. Spoke the Young Phoenix Capt Tobey 1 whale this season. From her learned of the loss of the Edgar of Cold Spring in Donas island. Tacked ship several times latter part cleared up. To end this day.

Friday June 8<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commences with light breezes and foggy weather from the W. by S. ship under all sail steering S. by W. Sent up the mizzen topgallant mast and sail and foretopgallant sail this morning. Several times tacked ship. Middle and latter part cleared up. To end this day.

Saturday June 9<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commences with light breezes and foggy weather from the S.E. ship under all sail steering S.S.W. At 3 P.M. spoke the ship Pursue of Portsmouth Capt Butler 2 whales and had a line gun. Also spoke the French ship Gustave of Haue and the Junion Capt Andrews of N.B. Clear. Latter part took in sail; To end this day.

Sunday June 10<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commences with strong breezes and rugged weather from the W.N.W. ship under moderate sail steering S.W. by S. Thick fog and rain. Spoke the Washington Capt Hobbins 2 whales. To end this day.

Monday June 11 1855

This day commences with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N.W. ship under full sail steering N.N.E. Spoke the Cambria Capt Pease clear. Tacked ship several times. In the ice. Middle and latter part the same. To end this day.

Tuesday June 12<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commences with light breezes and rainy weather from the E.N.E. ship under moderate sail steering nowhere in particular. Spoke the Lydia



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in the Ochotsk Sea. The N. Fisher Mack  
of Fairhaven clean. Capt Leonard. Middle and  
latter part the same. So ends this day.

Wednesday 13 June 1853

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant  
weather from the N. N. E., with occasional fog, ship  
under all sail steering E. by S. Lowered two boats this  
morning for a white grampus with no success. Spoke  
the George & Mary Capt Wacker of New London 6  
whales. Saw several ships. Lowered in the afternoon  
for seals to get their skins for drugs, no success. So  
ends this day.

Thursday 14 June 1853

This day commenced with light breezes and foggy  
weather from the S by W. ship under all sail steering  
ing S. E. by E. Tacked ship several times. Saw a  
bowhead at 3 A.M. but being foggy did not  
lower. Lowered the larboard boat in the afternoon  
for seals but no success. On ice. Latter part the  
same. So ends this day.

Friday June 15<sup>th</sup> 1853.



B. B.

This day commenced with light  
breezes and pleasant weather  
from the S. S. E. ship under  
moderate sail steering E. Saw  
whales early this morning and  
lowered in chase with the success.

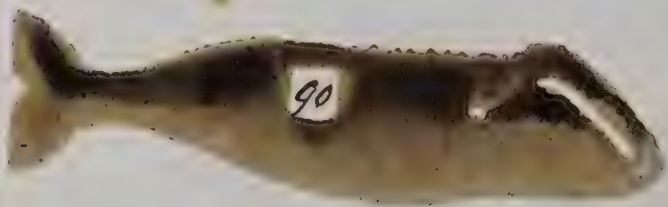
Came aboard and got breakfast and lowered again  
the bow boat struck a whale and killed him.  
Got him alongside and cut him in, and lowered  
again but no success. So ends this day.

Saturday June 16<sup>th</sup> 1853.

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant  
weather from the S. W. by S. ship under all sail steering  
S. by W. At 4 A.M. saw whales and lowered the  
boats in chase but no success; lowered twice again  
during the day with no success. Came aboard at  
9 P.M. Started the masts. Latter part strong  
breeze; took in light sails. So ends this day.



1855  
Ship Vineyard of Edgartown cruising in  
Sunday June 17<sup>th</sup> 1855



B.B.

This day commenced with strong breezes and pleasant weather from the S.S.W. ship under double reefed topsails steering S.E. Lowered the boat at 5 A.M. and pulled into the ice. The boat struck a whale and killed him. Cut him in before supper and lowered again but no success. Saw the "Spudwell" take 2 whales. Drying out. So ends this day.

Monday June 18<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the W.N.W. ship under easy sail steering S.W. Lowered the harbor boat early this morning in chase of a bowhead close to the ship; they went out, him darted ten times and missed him. Lowered three times - no success. The captain went aboard of the "Cha. H. Morgan" 5 whales, and got a keg of tobacco and a by steerer from the Kingfisher to steer the fourth mate. So ends this day.

Tuesday June 19<sup>th</sup> 1855



W.B.

This day commenced with strong breezes and rugged weather. Ship under double reefed topsails steering S.W. Saw whales

at 5 A.M. and lowered the boat in chase; the boat struck and killed a very large whale. Got him alongside and cut him in. Lowered a single boat twice afternoon no success. Latter part a little calm. So ends this day.

Wednesday June 20<sup>th</sup> 1855



B.B.

This day commenced with strong breezes and rugged weather from the W. ship under same sail steering W.S.W. Saw whales early this morning and lowered three boats in chase.



the Ochotsk Sea. The Lt Fisher Master  
the bow boat went onto a large whale and killed  
him. Got him alongside and cut in. Saw the Junior  
take a whale. Latter part wind moderated. So ends this  
day.

Thursday June 21<sup>st</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant  
weather ship under easy sail standing off and on  
to the ice. Tormented the boats 2) in chase of whale  
the bow boat struck a large whale and broke  
the iron and lost him: chased all the forenoon  
with no success. After dinner all hands employed  
in scraping line. So ends this day.

Friday June 22<sup>nd</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with light and variable winds  
from the S. and E. ship under easy sail cruising  
round the ice. Most of the day foggy and slight  
rain. Commenced stowing down being pinched for  
rum and cash. So ends this day.

Saturday June 23<sup>rd</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with light breezes and foggy  
weather from the P. S. B. ship under moderate sail  
standing off and on to the ice. Stowing down. Mid-  
dle and latter part clear. So ends this day.

Sunday June 24<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with calm and foggy weather  
ship under all sail steering S.W. Stowing down. Middle  
part wind from the E. ship steering W. by N. Yesterday  
hands employed in scraping line. So ends this day.

Monday June 25<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and thick  
weather from the E. ship under easy sail steering  
W. N. W. Finished trying out and stowed down.  
Middle part wind hauled to the N. E. by N. Spoke  
the "Bunsack" of Dartmouth Capt Butler 2 whaling  
boats. Here we learned of the loss of the "Effusion" of  
New London ashore on Cape Elizabeth. Latter  
part raining. So ends this day.

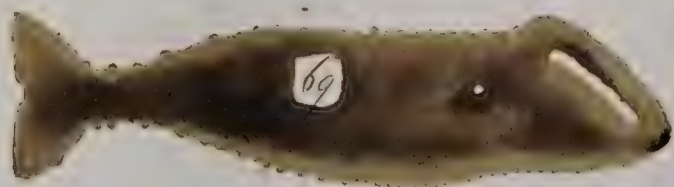


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Ship Vineyard of Edgartown bound in the  
Wednesday June 27 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant air from the N. E. by E. ship under easy sail standing N. by N. Saw the land early this morning. At 5 A.M. saw whales and lowered in chase: chased till noon with no success. Came aboard and got up the chain cable and bent on the anchor. Spoke the bark Iris of New London Harris, 3 whales. Saw whales about 2 P.M. and lowered in chase, chased till 9 P.M. with no success, being too calm to get on them. Standing off and on to the land. To end this day.

Thursday June 28 1855.



I.B.

This day commenced with light and variable winds from off the land, ship under all sail standing off and on to the land. Lowered the boats at 3

A.M. and pulled into the land: the starboard boat struck and killed a whale. Towed him to the ship and cut in. Lowered again in chase of whales but no success. To end this day.

Friday June 29 1855.

This day commenced with moderate sail and foggy weather from the E. N. E. ship under easy sail standing N. About 11 A.M. fog cleared up and stood off and on to the land: lowered the boats and pulled into the ice where the starboard boat struck a large whale and lost him with the line: the starboard boat struck again and lost him with the bow boat line. Came aboard and started the 10th. Spoke the Florida William 3 whales. Latter part dense fog. To end this day.

Saturday June 30 1855

This day commenced with strong breezes and foggy weather from the E. N. E. ship under short sail standing off and on to the land. Lowered the boat after breakfast and pulled into the ice, but saw nothing. Latter part lowered again no success. To end this day.



1855

Behotok Sea. Thomas N. Fisher Mast.  
Sunday July 1<sup>st</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and foggy weather from the W. S. W. ship under easy sail standing off and on to the land. Cleared up at 10 AM, and lowered three boats and pulled into the land, but saw nothing. Came aboard and stood over to the ice, and lowered again, with no success. Finished trying out. A large number of ships in sight but none billing. To end this day.

Monday July 2<sup>d</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N. E. by E. ship under full sail standing off and on to the land. Stowed down. Spoke the bark Louisa of N. B. Capt Greene 4 whales. At half past four P.M. being thick and raining and near the land, came to anchor in 16 fathoms of water. To end this day.

Tuesday July 3<sup>d</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the W. by S. Took the anchor at 6 AM and stood out. Lowered the boats and pulled into the land, but saw nothing. Went ashore and got some boat masts. Lowered again and pulled to the ice with the same success. Came alongside and hooked onto the ship and towed her out of the ice. Latter part strong breeze. At 12 P.M. the strong tide came near getting full of the bark Louisa: were obliged to let go the anchor and then barely cleared her. Called all hands and got out the other chain and beat on. Came near a collision with the Brunswick.

Wednesday July 4<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with strong gales and rainy weather from the S. W. by E. ship at anchor. Middle part the same. At 6 P.M. weather the same, took the anchor and stood along under three close reefed topsails, being fearful of the ice. Having moderated some, made the fore and jib. To end this day.



1855

# Ship Vineyard of Edgartown cruising

Thursday July 5<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with moderate breezes and rugged weather from the N. N. W. ship under short sail steering N. E. Middle part made all sail. In the afternoon saw whales; lowered three boats in chase of whales: the bow boat struck a whale with a drag iron and lost him; the waist boat struck another one and lost him with the line. Came aboard. To end this day.

Friday July 6<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with strong breezes and rugged weather from the N. E. by N. ship under moderate sail steering E. by S. Standing off and on to the land. Lowered twice today in chase of whales: the larboard boat lanced three and lost them. To end this day.

Saturday July 7<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with strong breezes and rugged weather from the N. N. E. ship under moderate sail standing off and on the land. At 6 A.M. lowered the boats in chase of whales: chased till 1 P.M. with no success. Latter part under all sail. Spoke the Chas. N. Morgan, nothing since we saw her last. To end this day.

Sunday July 8<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N. E. by N. ship under all sail standing off and on the land. At 6 A.M. saw whales. Lowered three boats in chase: chased till 11 with no success. Came aboard. Latter part strong breeze: doubled reefed the topsails and took in the light sails. To end this day.

Monday July 9<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and foggy weather from the W. ship under short sail standing off and on to the land. In the afternoon passed a bark at anchor and spoke the ship "John News" of New Bedford Capt. Bessy, "nothing of any consequence" as the captain expressed it. Latter part the same. To end this day.



1855

in the Ochotsk Sea. Thos. N. Fisher, Master,  
 Sunday July 10<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and foggy weather from the S.W. ship under all sail standing off and on to the land. At noon cleared up and lowered three boats and pulled into the ice but saw nothing came aboard at 5 P.M. Last night at 12 lowered the bow boat and towed the ship from the land - there being no wind and the strong tide setting her in. To end this day.

Monday July 11<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the E. ship under all sail standing along the land. Last night at 9 P.M. saw a dead whale, lowered the starboard boat and towed him to the ship: he proved to be a calf about a month old; when tried out he turned up five barrels. After dinner lowered for whales, chased till 11 P.M. with no success - came aboard. Thos. ship sailing. Land all round us. Strong breeze.

Tuesday July 12<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and fine weather from the S.W. ship under all sail steering S.E. by E. Middle part foggy with no wind. Latter part wind from the E.N.E. ship heading N. To end this day.

Wednesday July 13<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with moderate breezes and rugged weather from the N.E. by N. ship under all sail steering N.W. by W. Last night at 9, being thick and the "Chas. W. Morgan" close to came to an anchor in 16 fathoms. At 3 this morning the ice came down upon us obliging us to take the anchor. After breakfast, the captain went aboard the "C.W. Mc." Middle part the same. At 3 P.M. spoke the "Europa" Beale of Edgartown 3 whales the captain went aboard. Latter part strong breezes and rain: ship under double reefed topsails. To end this day.

Thursday July 14<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with strong breezes and raining weather from the N.W. ship under short sail steering NW. Thos. ship several times heading E. on the other tack. Spoke the "Euphrates" Bailey 7 whales. To end this day.



1855  
Ship Vineyard of Edgartown cruising in  
Sunday July 15th 1855

This day commenced with strong breezes and rugged weather from the N.E. ship under moderate sail steering N.W.W. on the other tack E.S.E. Heavy rain! In the afternoon spoke the hermaphrodite brig "Levant" of San Francisco Capt ——— clean.

Monday July 16th 1855

This day commenced with strong breezes and rugged weather from the N.E. ship under easy heading on the wind. Fog and rain. Spoke the Cha<sup>s</sup> W. Morgan & whales: the captain came aboard of us. Middle and latter part the same. To end this day.

Tuesday July 17th 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and thick weather from the N.W.E. ship under easy sail heading N.W. and on the other tack E.. At 2 P.M. cleared up for a few minutes when we found ourselves close to the land with a strong current setting in. Lowered the bombast and towed her off. Got the starboard anchor in readiness to let go. To end this day.

Wednesday July 18th 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the S.W. by W. ship under all sail steering S. by E. Spoke the ship Eliza J. Mason's Surgeon of N. B. Bright whales in the Japan Sea: had a long gam with her. A large number of ships close to us bound to Shantou Bay. To end this day.

Thursday July 19th 1855

This day commenced with light and variable winds from the S. and W. ship under all sail steering S.E. At 8 A.M. being close to the land and a thick fog let go the anchor: at change of tide hove up and stood along toward the big Shantou. Several large ships in sight bound in. To end this day.

Friday July 20th 1855

This day commenced with light and variable winds ship at anchor in the ice. At 11 P.M. last night called all hands to stand by, the ship being surrounded



The Ochotk Sea. Thomas Fisher Mast  
by very heavy ice. After sustaining very severe shocks  
the cable parted and we lost the anchor and 28  
fathoms of chain. Let go the starboard anchor, and  
hove up again and stood out, finding we made no  
progress against a strong tide got out four boats and  
towed the ship four ship's hours. Latter part light  
breezes from the N.E. by N. ship under all sail steering  
N.W. by N. After supper saw whales: lowered in chase  
no success. To end this day

Saturday July 21<sup>st</sup> 1855



Waist Board.

This day commenced with light  
breezes and pleasant weather  
from the S.W. by S. ship under all  
sail steering W. by N. At 5 AM

saw whales and lowered three boats in chase: the waist  
boat struck and killed a whale: got him alongside and  
tied him up, and went off again. Chased three hours  
with no success. Came aboard and cut him in, but  
did not start the works. Latter part wind N.W. by  
ship steering N.W. ~~For the day~~. At 6 PM. saw  
whales to leeward, and lowered four boats in chase.  
The starboard boat struck a whale who instantly  
stove a large hole in the bottom of the boat causing it  
to sink to the water's edge: the crew were picked up  
by the starboard boat. Came aboard. To end this day

Sunday July 22<sup>nd</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and thick  
weather from the E. by N. ship under easy sail steering  
N. by E. The cooper, refusing to turn out last night  
was sent forward to live, whereupon he refused to  
do duty as cooper. The captain then put him in  
irons and sent him into the forehold to live on bread  
and water till he concludes to return to duty. Put  
a new boat on the starboard boat. Foraging. Done.  
Latter part wind from the E. S. E. To end this day.

Monday July 23<sup>rd</sup> 1855

This day commenced with moderate breezes and  
pleasant weather from the N.W. by N. ship under



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Ship under modes Vineyard of Edgartown under moderate sail steering W. by S, and on the other tack N.E. by E. Commenced trying out. The coopers returned to duty and was released from his iron. Middle part foggy. Latter part strong wind double reefed the topsails. To End this day.

Tuesday July 24<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with moderate breezes and pleasant weather from the N.W. ship under easy sail steering E. by S. and on the other tack N.W. Saw whales after breakfast and lowered three boats in chase: no success. Spoke the 'Champion, Pease, of Edgartown' two whales and gammed with him all day. Saw whales after dinner and lowered two boats: no success. Repairing the old harbour boat for a bow boat. Cruising between the island of Wickstaff and the main land. To End this day.

Wednesday July 25<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with strong breezes and rugged weather from the N.E. ship under moderate sail standing off and on to the land. Rain and fog. Middle and latter part the same. To End this day.

Thursday July 26<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with strong breezes and rugged weather from the N.E. by E. ship under moderate sail steering S.E. by E. and on the other tack N.W. by W. Rain and fog. One ship in sight trying out. Middle and latter part the same. To End this day.

Friday July 27<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with moderate breezes and rugged weather from the N.W. ship under all sail steering S.E. and on the other tack N. Slight rain and fog. Middle and latter part clear. To End this day.

Saturday July 28<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and thick weather from the E. by N. ship under all sail standing off and on to the land. Rain and thick fog. Stormed down. Latter part strong breezes: took in the light sails. To End this day.



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cruising in the Ochotok Sea. J. N. Fisher. Mast.  
Sunday July 29<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with moderate gales and rugged weather from the N.N.E. ship under double reefed topsails and courses standing off and on to the land. Middle part rain. Latter part moderate breeze ship under all sail. To end this day.

Monday July 30<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with moderate breeze and foggy weather from the S. ship under all sail steering N.E. bound right whaling. Put the old larboard boat on the bow boat's oar. Middle and latter part the same. To end this day.

Tuesday July 31<sup>st</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the S.E. ship under all sail steering S.S.W. Saw whales after dinner and lowered four boats in chase; the starboard boat struck a large whale, and three risings after, the bow boat fastened also, but all the boats hauling line, the iron drew and we lost the whale. A thick fog set in and the boats came about. Laying along the main land. To end this day.

Wednesday August 1<sup>st</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and foggy weather from the S.W. ship under all sail steering S.S.E. Spoke the ship Harriet, Riddell, of Nantucket. 5 whales; she reports plenty of whales all along the coast. Middle and latter part the same. To end this day. At 4 P.M. saw boats to be lowered down; lowered three boats and chased a couple hours no success.

Thursday August 2<sup>nd</sup> 1855

This day commenced with strong breezes and thick weather from the N.E. ship under easy sail, steering E.S.E. standing off shore. Saw a whale close too with an iron sticking in him; though blowing a moderate gale, lowered three boats; no success. Came in double reefed the topsails and furled the courses and jib, blowing a strong gale. To end this day.



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Ship Vineyard of Edgartown cruising  
Friday August 3<sup>rd</sup> 1855



Stood & co.

This day commenced with strong breezes and rugged weather from the N.E. ship under close reefed topsails heading E.S.E. Middle part moderated

some. About 12 A.M. saw a dead whale; lowered the larboard boat and brought him to the ship. Cut him in, and started the works. Latter part thick fog and rain; ship under whole topsails and foresail. So ends this day.

Saturday August 4<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the E.N.E. ship under full sail steering S.E. and on the other tack N. Standing off and on to the land. Saw whales after dinner and lowered three boats in chase with no success. Trying out. Latter part wind from the N.N.E. So ends this day.

Sunday August 5<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the W.S.W. ship under all sail steering N.W. At 1 P.M. saw whales and lowered three boats in chase but could not get onto them, as they were very shy. Trying out. Latter part wind S.W. So ends this day.

Monday August 6<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and foggy weather from the N.E. ship under all sail steering E.S.E. and on the other tack N.N.W. Finished trying out. Middle part the same. Latter part strong breezes from the N.N.E. ship under double reefed topsails steering E. So ends this day.

Tuesday August 7<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and foggy weather from the N.E. ship under whole topsails and foresail standing off and on to the land. Commenced steering down. Latter part strong breeze; double reefed. So ends this day.



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# in the Ochotsk Sea. The S. N. Fisher's Note

Wednesday August 8<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with strong breezes and foggy weather from the N.E. ship under moderate sail steering N.W.W. and on the other tack E.S.E. Finished steering down, Middle and latter part the same, & ends this day.

Thursday August 9<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with strong breezes and foggy weather from the N.E. ship under whole top sail steering E.S.E. Middle and latter part the same, & ends this day.

Friday August 10<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with moderate breezes and foggy weather with rain from the E. ship under moderate sail steering N.W.E. At 9 A.M. saw the island of Gili, staff and made all sail to get clear, a strong tide setting us astern. Middle and latter part clear with wind from the E. N.E. & ends this day.

Saturday August 11<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the W.S.W. ship under all sail steering N.W. Saw after dinner spoke the ship Adeline, Capt. Brotherson of N.B. & whaler: the captain went aboard. Saw whales at 2 P.M. and lowered four boats in chase but with no success, the whales going fast. Latter part wind from the S. & ends this day.

Sunday August 12<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with calm and pleasant weather from the S. and E. ship under all sail steering where the tide takes her. Saw whales after breakfast and lowered four boats in chase, but being a dead calm could not get into them. Saw whales at 2 P.M. and lowered again but met with no success for the same reason. Came aboard at 8 P.M. Latter part light breeze from the E. ship steering S.S.E. & ends this day.

Monday August 13<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and thick weather from the S.E. ship under moderate sail standing off and on to the main land.



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Ship Vineyard of Edgartown cruising  
At 5 A.M. saw whales and lowered three boats  
in chase - 2. success. Came aboard at 8 A.M.  
Middle and latter part clear. Several ships in  
sight. So ends this day.

Tuesday August 14<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant  
weather from the N.E. ship under all sail steering  
N.W.W. At 4 A.M. saw whales; lowered four boats  
in chase, but no success, being too calm. At 9  
A.M. saw whales again and lowered in chase; the  
bowboat struck a whale, but the line parted, and  
lost him. Came aboard at 7 P.M. Seven ships in  
sight; one baling. So ends this day.

Wednesday August 15<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and thick  
weather from the S.W. ship under all sail steering  
W.N.W. Spoke the bark Rose of N.B. 4 whales.  
At 3 P.M. it came in clear; saw whales  
lowered four boats in chase, no success. Came  
aboard; lowered again and chased till 7 P.M.  
with no success. So ends this day.

Thursday August 16<sup>th</sup> 1855.



Waist boat

This day commenced with  
light breezes and pleasant  
weather from the W. by S.  
ship under all sail steering  
S. by W. Saw whales after breakfast and lowered  
four boats in chase; the waist boat struck  
first and then the bowboat killed him and  
took him alongside and cut him in. Started  
the work. Saw the ship George strike a whale  
and lose him. So ends this day.

Friday August 17<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with strong gales and rugged  
weather from the N.E. ship under close reefed top  
sails steering N.W.W. Rain squally. Middle  
and latter part the same. Wore ship at 3 P.M.  
heading D.S.E. So ends this day.



in the Beholuk Sea. The N. Fisher Mast.  
Sunday August 19<sup>th</sup> 1850.

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the S.W. ship under all sail standing off and on to the land. Saw whales early in the morning and lowered the harbour boat with no success. After breakfast lowered three boats and chased till noon with no success. Lowered again at 4 P.M. and chased till dark with no success. Lowered three boats three times yesterday with no success. Ends this day

Monday August 20<sup>th</sup> 1850.



Waist Boat



Harbour Boat

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the S.W. ship moderate sail standing off and on to the land. At 4 A.M. saw whales and lowered the boats in chase: the waist boat struck a large whale and the harbour boat killed him: took him alongside and cut him in. After dinner lowered the harbour boat in chase of whales he struck a large whale and lowered the waist boat who killed him: tossed him to the ship and tied him up. Finished trying out the last whale. Spoke the boats of the "Electra" of New London, 22 small whales. Ends this day

Tuesday August 21<sup>st</sup> 1850.

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the S.W. ship under moderate sail standing off and on to the main land abreast of Plymouth. Commenced at 3 A.M. to cut in and finished at 11. After dinner stored down 5000 lbs of oil in the after hold. Baling. Saw the "The Dickson" pick up a dead whale under our bows, no, having no lookout. Latter part wind from the N.W. 11 m. Ends this day



1855

# Ship Vineyard of Edgartown cruising

Wednesday August 22<sup>nd</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the S. and W. ship under easy sail standing off and down to the land. Boiling and stowing down. Middle part the same. So ends this day.

Thursday August 23<sup>rd</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the S.W. ship under moderate sail standing off and on to the land. Boiling and stowing down. Latter part wind from the N.E. with rain. So ends this day.

Friday August 24<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with the light breezes and pleasant weather from the N.E. ship under all sail, steering E.S.E. Boiling. All hands engaged in pumping down. Latter part steering N. wind, S.E. by E. So ends this day.

Saturday This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the S.E. ship under moderate sail steering E.N.E. at 6 A.M. kept off to N.E. by W. Saw whales and lowered in chase with no success. Came aboard and stowed off the lower forehold. Latter part the same. So ends this day.

Sunday August 25<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and foggy weather with rain from the W. ship under courses and topsails, steering S.S.W. Middle part wind from the W. blowing a strong breeze; double reefed the topsails, and furl'd the mainsail and jib. Latter part the same. So ends this day.

Monday August 26<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with moderate gales and rainy weather from the N. ship under double reefed topsails and courses steering E.N.E. Stowed down four pipes of oil between decks. Latter part wind moderate, shook one reef out the topsails. So ends this day.



in the Ochotsk Sea The S. Fisher Mast.  
Tuesday August 28<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the W.N.E. ship under all sail steering N.W. Stowed down 28 bbls of oil in the run which finished this fore. Close to the Shantar Islands. Middle and latter part dead calm. So ends this day.

Wednesday August 29<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light moderate breezes and pleasant weather from the W. ship under all sail steering E.N.E. Hands employed in various duties. Latter part wind from the W.N.W. So ends this day.

Thursday August 31<sup>st</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N.W. ship under all sail steering W. Middle part wind from the S.W. ship steering N.E. by N. Main land in sight on the larboard beam and bow. Hands employed in various duties. Latter part the same. So ends this day.

Galunay September 1<sup>st</sup> 1855

This day commenced with calm and pleasant weather ship under all sail standing along the land, heading to the N. and N. Hands employed in various duties. Middle part the same. Latter part light breezes from the S.W. ship steering E.N.E. So ends this day.

Sunday September 2<sup>d</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from S.E. ship under all sail steering N.E. by N. Middle part the same. Latter part, wind increasing took in the light sails and double reefed the topsails. So ends this day.

Monday September 3<sup>d</sup> 1855

This day commenced with strong breezes and cloudy weather from the N.E. by N. ship under all sail steering E. by S. At noon wind increasing took in the light sails. Latter part strong gale and rain from the N. N.W. ship under close reef fore and main topsails steering E. So ends this day.



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# Ship Vineyard of Edgartown cruising

Tuesday September 4<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with strong breezes and rugged weather from the W. ship under close reefed fore and main topsails and foresail steering E. It moderated after breakfast and made sail. Latter part light breeze from the W. by S. ship under all sail steering E. So ends this day.

Wednesday September 5<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and squally weather from the W. ship under all sail steering N. N. E. Latter part ran into a bay, and saw whales: lowered four boats at 6 P.M. and chased two hours with no success. Saw a ship boiling. Spoke the ship Thomas Ap. all unknown. Standing off and on to the land. So ends this day.

Thursday September 6<sup>th</sup> 1855



This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N. E. by E. ship under all sail standing off and on to the land. At 3

Starboard Boat. A.M. lowered three boats and pulled into the bay: the starboard boat got fast to a whale and killed him got him alongside at 11 P.M. and tied him up. So ends this day.

Friday September 9<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with moderate gales and rugged weather from the W. by E. ship under close reefed main topsail standing off and on the land. The rugged weather snapped the fluke chain and the whale sailed off: lowered the starboard boat and picked him up: made him fast with a hawser and after breakfast the wind having moderated considerable commenced cutting. Tacked about 4 P.M. Started the mure. Latter part moderate breeze from the W. by S. ship under single reefed topsails and foresail. So ends this day.



in the Ochotsk Sea. The N. Fisher Mast.  
Saturday September 8<sup>th</sup> 1855



Starboard Boat

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N.E. by E. ship under moderate sail standing off and on to the land. Lowered three boats

after breakfast and pulled into the land. In the afternoon the starboard boat got fast to a whale and the waist boat killed him: got him alongside by dark and cut in finishing at 3 A.M. So ends this day.

Sunday September 9<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with strong breezes and rugged weather from the E. by N. ship under moderate sail steering off and on to the land. Railing. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Monday September 10<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N.E. by N. ship under easy sail standing off and on to the land. At 7 A.M. lowered the boats and pulled into the land; the waist boat got



Waist Boat

fast and the line parted; the starboard boat fastened again and killed him. Got him alongside and cut him in. So ends this day.

Tuesday September 11<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with strong gales and rugged weather from the N. ship under close reefed main topsail steering E. N. E. Coaled down. Yesterday stowed down 75 bbl oil between decks. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Wednesday September 12<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with moderate breeze and rugged weather from the N. by E. ship under close reefed topsails steering E. by N. All hands employed in pumping bone and cooping. Middle and latter part light breeze. So ends this day.



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Ship Vineyard of Edgartown cruising  
Saturday Septem. 15<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with calms and pleasant weather, ship under double reefed topsails and foresail. Heading N. by W. Finished trying on the Middle and latter part the same. Yesterday stowed down. Spoke the Coral Manxley of N. B. 9 whales. So ends this day.

Sunday September 16<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N. E. ship under moderate sail standing off and on the land. In the morning stowed down, and latter part lowered three boats and pulled into the land with no success. Spoke the "Three Brothers" Cleveland of Nantucket, full, and bound out; spoke the Mary Frazier Hazard, of N. B. 1200 bbls this season. So ends this day.

Monday September 17<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and thick weather from the N. ship under moderate sail standing along the land. At 4 A.M. lowered three boats and pulled into the land saw nothing. Came aboard and finished stowing down. Latter part light breeze from the N. by E. So ends this day.

Tuesday September 18<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with moderate gales and rugged weather from the N. W. ship under close reefed topsails standing off and on to the land. Latter part set the foresail and mainsail. So ends this day.

Wednesday September 19<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with strong breezes and rugged weather from the N. W. ship under double reefed topsails and courses steering N. W. by E. Middle part moderate breeze ship under all sail steering E. Latter part the same. So ends this day.

Thursday September 20<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with moderate ~~and~~ breezes and cloudy weather from the E. ship under all



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in the Ochotsk Sea. Tho R. A. Fisher Mast.  
sail steering S.S.E. Filled up the bore pen in the  
sternage with bone from on deck. Middle and latter  
part the same. So ends this day.

Friday September 21<sup>st</sup> 1855

This day commenced with strong breezes and rugged  
weather from the E.N.E. ship under double reefed  
topsails and courses steering S.E. by S. Middle  
and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Saturday September 22<sup>nd</sup> 1855

This day commenced with moderate gales and rugged  
weather from the N.E. by E. ship under double reefed  
topsails and foresail steering S. by E. Middle and  
latter part the same. So ends this day.

Sunday September 23<sup>rd</sup> 1855

This day commenced with calm and rugged weather  
from the E.N.E. ship under all sail steering S.E.  
Unbent the anchor cable and stowed it below.  
Middle part light breezes from the N.N.W. At 7 P.M.  
spoke the ship Navigator, Fisher, of Edgartown, Coo  
ble's right whale oil this season; she has lost four boats  
in a gale of wind and a boatstewer. Double reefed the  
topsails and lufft to the wind with the main yard aback.  
So ends this day.

Monday September 24<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with moderate breezes and rugged  
weather from the N.W. ship under easy sail steering  
E.S.E. Jammed with the Navigator and sold her  
a boat and planking. Middle part steering S.E.  
Latter part double reefed the topsails. So ends this day.

Tuesday September 25<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with moderate gales and rugged  
weather from the N.W. ship under double reefed topsails  
steering N.N.E. Sent down the foretopgallant, top and  
mizzen topgallant yards. At 1 P.M. furled the  
foretopail and mizzen topsail and close reefed the  
main topsail. Saw a right whale and a bark.  
At 6 P.M. more ship heading W.N.W. Latter  
part rain. So ends this day.



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## Ship Vineyard of Edgartown

Wednesday September 26<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with moderate breezes and rugged weather from the N. N. W. ship under whole topsails and courses steering N. E. Saw right whales at 9 A.M. and lowered four boats in chase to success. Latter part strong gale ship under close reefed main topsail. So ends this day.

Thursday September 27<sup>th</sup> 1855.

This day commenced with strong gales and rugged weather from the S. W. by W. ship under close reefed main and mizzen topsails steering N. N. E. At 12 A.M. more ship heading W. by S. and set the fore topsail. Saw a sail. So ends this day.

Friday September 28<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N. by W. ship under all sail steering W. by N. At 6 A.M. kept off S. After dinner saw right whales and lowered four boats in chase chased two hours with no success. Spoke the ship Niger Peruvian of N. B. 460 bbls. So ends this day.

Saturday September 29<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N. by W. ship under all sail steering S. Middle part the same. Latter part steering S. S. W. So ends this day.

Saturday September 29<sup>th</sup> 1855.

Changed the day.

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the S. and W. ship under all sail heading S. E. At 3 P.M. saw right whales and lowered four boats in chase: chased till dark with no success. Came aboard and took in sail. So ends this day.

Sunday September 30<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the W. by S. ship under all sail heading S. by W. At 7 A.M. spoke the Wm West, a ship of N. B. 130 bbls. At 3 P.M. saw right whales and began in chase to success. Came aboard at dark and took in sail. So ends this day.



cruising in the Ochotsk Sea. T. N. Fisher  
Monday Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and cloudy weather from the S. E. by E. ship under all sail heading S. W. by W. At 2 P.M. spoke the Washington Hatter of N.B. 700 bbls this season. Jammed with her till dark. Latter part strong breeze; double reefed the topsails and furled the jib and mainsail. So ends this day.

Tuesday Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup> 1855

This day commenced with strong gales and rugged weather from the N. E. ship under close reefed main topsail heading S. E. Middle part the same with rain. At 5 P.M. squared the yards steering S. S. E. wind from the N. by W. having moderated considerably. So ends this day.

Wednesday Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> 1855

This day commenced with moderate breeze and pleasant weather from the N. W. by W. ship under all sail steering S. E. Sent up a foretopmast studding sail. Saw two dead whales of no good. Saw the land at 2 P.M. and kept off S. E. by E. Passed through the straits at dark bound to port. So ends this day.

Thursday Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with strong breezes and rugged weather from the N. W. ship under all sail steering E. by N. Took in the forebout, davis, and cranes. Middle part took in foretopmast studding sail strong breeze from the N. Unrove the cutting jacks. Latter part moderate wind. So ends this day.

Friday Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the W. ship under all sail steering E. Sent up foretopmast yard and sail, main top gallant studding sail, and lower fore studding sail. Sent down the foresail to mend it. Middle part wind from the N. W. Saw a sail. So ends this day.



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Saturday Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with strong breezes and pleasant weather from the W. ship under all sail and five studding sails steering E. Hands employed in mending the foresail. Middle part the same. Latter part wind increasing took in foretopgallant and maintopgallant and foretopmast studding sail. steering E. by S. So ends this day.

Sunday Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with strong breezes and rugged weather from the W. ship under all sail and three studding sails steering E. by S. Middle part moderate breeze. Latter part the same. So ends this day.

Monday Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the W. ship under all sail and five studding sails steering E. by S. Hands employed in ships duties. Latter part wind from the S.W. by S. steering E. S. E. So ends this day.

Tuesday Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the S.E. ship under all sail heading E. N. E. Hands employed in ships duties. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Wednesday Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with strong gales and rugged weather from the S. ship under close reefed main topsail, heading E. S. E. At 10 AM set the reefed foresail and at 11 AM took it in. Latter part moderated a little and set the close reefed fore and mizzen topsails. So ends this day.

Thursday Oct. 11<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the W.N.W. ship under all sail steering E. N. E. Hands employed in changing ship. Took up foretopmast and maintopgallant studding sail. So ends this day.



to the Sandwich Islands. T. A. Fisher Master  
Friday Oct. 12<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N.W. ship under all sail steering E.S.E. Hands employed in cleaning ship. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Saturday Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the E.S.E. ship under all sail heading N.E. Middle part rain. Hands employed in washing ship. Latter part strong breeze took in the light sails. So ends this day.

Sunday Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with strong gales and rugged weather from the N.E. ship under close reefed main topsail heading E.S.E. Middle and latter part the same with rain. So ends this day.

Monday Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with strong breezes and rugged weather from the N.E. by W. ship under close reefed topsails and foresail steering E.S.E. Turned the reef out and set main sail. Latter part by set the maintop gallant sail and flying jib. So ends this day.

Tuesday Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N.E. ship under all sail E.S.E. Hands engaged in ships duties. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Wednesday Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breeze and pleasant weather from the S. ship under all sail steering E.S.E. Sent up foretopmast and maintopgallant studding sails. Hands employed in ships duties. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Thursday Oct. 18<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with moderate gales and rugged weather from S.S.W. ship under double reefed topsails and courses steering E. by S. Latter part strong breeze from the N.W. by W. So ends this day.



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# Ship Vineyard of Edgartown bound

Friday Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with moderate breezes and pleasant weather from the N.N.W. ship under all sail steering E.S.E. Sent up mizzen top gallant yard and sail. Hands employed in ships duties. Middle and latter part wind from the N.N.W. So ends this day.

Saturday Oct. 20<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the S. ship under all sail heading E.S.E. Hands employed in ships duties. Middle part the same. Latter part strong breeze from the S.W. ship under all sail and foretopmast studding sail steering E.S.E. So ends this day.

Sunday Oct. 21<sup>st</sup> 1855

This day commenced with strong breezes and pleasant weather from the W.S.W. ship under all sail and three studding sails steering E.S.E. Saw a sail. Middle part the same. Latter part wind from the W. ship steering S.E. So ends this day.

Monday Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup> 1855

This day commenced with moderate breezes and pleasant weather from the N.W. ship under all sail and four studding sails steering S.E. Sent up main royal mast and yard. Hoisted only the starboard pump and churned the mill hole out. Hands employed in scraping bone. Middle and latter part the same. Latitude  $33^{\circ} 53' N$ . Long.  $161^{\circ} 50' W$ . So ends this day.

Tuesday Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup> 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N. ship under all sail steering S.E. by E. Finished scraping bone. Middle part the same. Sent up the fore royal mast. Latter part wind from the N.W. Lat.  $32^{\circ} 24' N$ . Long.  $159^{\circ} 43' W$ . So ends this day.



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to the Sandwich Islands. D. N. Fisher  
Wednesday Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> 1855  
This day commenced with light breezes and  
pleasant weather from the N. E. ship under all  
sail steering S. W. by E. Sent up the fore royal mast  
and yard. Middle and latter part strong breeze, took  
in fore and main royal. Lat.  $30^{\circ}45'N$ . Long.  $158^{\circ}$   
 $10'W$ . So ends this day.

Thursday Oct. 25<sup>th</sup> 1855.  
This day commenced with strong breezes and pleasant  
weather from the N. E. ship under whole topsails  
and courses steering S. E. by E. Middle and latter  
part steering S. E. by S. Lat.  $28^{\circ}45'N$ . Long.  $156^{\circ}50'W$ .  
So ends this day.

Friday Oct. 26<sup>th</sup> 1855.  
This day commenced with strong breezes and pleasant  
weather from the E. N. E. ship under moderate sail  
steering S. S. E. Hands employed in washing ships.  
Middle and latter part the same. Lat.  $26^{\circ}30'N$ .  
Long.  $156^{\circ}27'W$ . So ends this day.

Saturday Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> 1855  
This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant  
weather from the E. ship under all sail steering  
S. by E. Sent up Mizzen royal mast and yard.  
Middle and latter part the same. Lat.  $23^{\circ}58'N$ .  
So ends this day.

Sunday Oct. 28<sup>th</sup> 1855  
This day commenced with moderate breezes and  
pleasant weather from the E. by S ship under all  
sail steering S. by E. At 10 A.M. came to an  
anchor in Lahaina after an absence of 11 days  
and 11 days.

Monday Oct. 29<sup>th</sup> 1855  
This day commenced with pleasant weather. Hands  
employed in punching bone. Broke out for pipes  
for water. Discharged 3 boatmen. So ends this  
day in port.



Tuesday Oct<sup>r</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> 1855

All hands employed in washing bone. Sent a  
raft of 22 pipes ashore for water. To ends this  
day in port.

Wednesday Oct<sup>r</sup> 31<sup>st</sup> 1855

All hands employed in washing and bundling  
bone. To ends this day in port.

Thursday November 1<sup>st</sup> 1855

All hands employed in bundling bone, which was  
finished today. To ends this day in port.

Friday November 2<sup>d</sup> 1855

At daylight towed off the raft of water and  
hoisted it aboard. Hands employed in washing  
ships. To ends this day in port.

Lafania November the ~~26~~ 1855

I was discharged from the ship

Vineyard captain Fisher  
6<sup>th</sup> Wednesday noon for the purpose

Monday Benson The



Receivd of J. C. Little Master Nov 25 1855

Handwritten cursive script, likely a signature or name, appearing as a series of connected loops and flourishes.



# Ship Florida of New Bedford

Remarks on board Wednesday 12

Begins with fine breeze from the N E  
at 7 AM took the anchor at Maui  
middle part fine latter part latter part  
much the same laying off and on at Maui  
so ends these 24 hours

Thursday 13

Begins with fine weather ship laying off and  
on at Maui middle and latter part  
the same so ends these 24 hours

Remarks on board Friday 14

Begins with strong winds from the N E ship  
laying off and on at Oahu middle part  
fine latter part strong N E winds  
ship under double reef topsails so ends these 24

Saturday the 15

Begins with strong winds from the N E ship  
under double reef topsails laying off and  
at Oahu middle and latter part much the same  
so ends these 24 hours

Remarks on board Sunday November 16

Begins with fine pleasant weather with strong winds  
from the N E laying off on at Oahu other  
ships in company middle and latter part  
much the same so ends these 24 hours

Monday the 18

Begins with fine weather with strong winds from  
the N E ship laying off and on at Oahu  
at 4 PM captain came on board and took  
our departure steering N by E middle and latter  
part weather employed in getting the anchors



J C Little Master Nov 12<sup>1855</sup>

on the lower and sailing among the channels  
so ends there 24

Remarks on board Tuesday the 19

Begins with strong winds and squalls from the N E ship  
heaving E S E all sail set Moravia in company middle part  
raining and luffing winds took in light sails latter part ship  
under double reef topsails and fore sail heaving E S E  
so ends there 24 hours

Wednesday the 20 and 21

Begins with strong winds and squalls from the  
N E ship heaving E S E under double reef topsails said  
ship in company middle and latter part strong breezes from  
the N E heaving E S E by 1 ship under double reef topsails  
so ends there 24 hours

Remarks on board Thursday November 22

Begins with strong winds from squalls from the N E  
heaving E S E under double reef topsails and fore sail  
middle and latter part close reef fore topsail heaving E  
by 3 watch employed in ship duty records there 24 hours

Friday the 23

Begins with strong winds from the N E heaving  
E S E under double reef topsails middle and latter part  
heaving E S E under double reef topsails so ends there 24  
hours

Remarks on board Saturday 1 November 24 = 1855

Begins strong breezes from the N E heaving E S E  
under courses and double reef topsails watch employed  
in ship duty middle and latter part set whole topsails  
and main top gallant sail watch employed in repair  
ing sails so ends there 24 hours



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Sunday the 25

Begins with strong winds from the N E steering  
S E by E all sail set watch employed in ship's  
duty middle and latter part much the same so ends these

24 hours

Remarks on board Monday November 26 - 1855

Begins with strong breezes from the N E steering  
S E by E under courses and double reef topsails  
middle and latter part strong breeze with squalls of  
rain from the N E heading S E watch employed  
in breaking out water so ends these 24 hours

Tuesday 27

Begins with rain and squalls from the N E steering  
S E took in Waist boat to mend ship under  
single reef topsails middle and latter part fine  
pleasant weather from the N E heading to Southward  
watch employed in setting up rigging and mending boats  
so ends these 24 hours

Remarks on board Wednesday 28

Begins with light breeze and squalls of rain from  
the N E sail heading S E by E all sail set watch  
employed in repairing rigging middle and latter part  
fine breeze with rain so ends these 24 hours

Remarks on board Friday 29

Begins with light breeze from the S E heading to  
N E all sail set watch employed in fitting  
rigging and mending boats middle and latter part  
fine weather from the S E heading S W all  
sail set watch employed in mending boats  
so ends these 24 hours



Ship Florida of New Bedford Capt Little

Saturday 30

Begins with fine weather from the S E heading S W  
at 9 P M shift to the N E middle part shifted to the  
S E latter part fine watch employed in painting  
boats and other jobs so ends these 24 hours

Remarks on board Sunday December 1 and 2 = 1855

Begins with light breeze from the E S E heading S  
all sail set watch employed in painting boats  
middle part fine latter part light wind from the  
E heading S all sail set so ends these 24 hours  
Long by Chron 153-59<sup>W</sup>  
Lat by Obs 3-20 N

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup>

Begins with smart breeze from the S E ship under  
all sail watch employed ships duty saw a fin back  
middle and latter part much the same steering to the  
Southward watch employed in fitting rigging  
so ends these 24 hours  
Lat by Obs 5-35

Remarks on board Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> 1855

Begins with fine weather and light breeze from the eastward  
ship heading to Southward all sail set watch employ-  
ed in ships duty middle and latter part much the  
same so ends this 24 hours  
Lat by Obs 7-23

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup>

Begins with fine weather ~~and~~ and light breeze  
from the E ship steering S ship under all  
sail watch employed in repairing rigging  
middle and latter part much the same  
so ends these 24 hours

Lat by Obs 8-11



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Remarks on board Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> 1855

Begins with light winds and pleasant from the N E ship steering Southward and Eastward all sail set watch employed in ships duty middle and latter part fine so ends these 24 hours

Friday 7<sup>th</sup>

Begins with fine weather and variable winds heading S at sail set watch employed in ships duty middle and latter part much the same.

so ends these 24 hours  
Remarks on board Saturday 8<sup>th</sup>

Begins with fine pleasant weather and variable winds from the Southward and Westward all sail set watch employed in fitting rigging middle and latter part calm watch employed in breaking up water so ends these 24 hours

Lat by Obs 11-15

Sunday the 9<sup>th</sup>

Begins with fine breeze from the N heading S S E all sail set at 4 P M squalls of rain middle and latter part fine so ends these 24 hours

Remarks on board Monday December 10<sup>th</sup>

Begins with fine weather and light breeze from the N E heading S S E all sail set watch employed in ships duty so ends these 24 hours  
Lat by Obs 15-55

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup>

Begins with fine weather and light breeze from the Eastward heading S by E all sail set watch employed in fitting rigging middle and latter part much the same so ends these 24 hours  
Lat by Obs 17-10



# Ship Florida of New Bedford Capt Little

Remarks on board Wednesday December the 12<sup>th</sup> 1855

Begins with fine weather and light breeze from the N E  
Ludding S by E all sail set watch employed ships  
duty middle part fine latter part fine ~~made~~ with  
strong breeze ~~made~~ from the N W steering S by E  
made 11<sup>th</sup> total distance 15 miles so ends these 24 hours  
Lat by obs 18° 45' S  
Long by Chron 159° 17' W

Thursday the 13

Begins with light breeze from the N steering S by E  
all sail set middle and latter part laying off  
and on at Weymouth all hands employed in  
getting of wood and fruit five other ships in  
company so ends these 24 hours

Remarks on board Friday December the 14<sup>th</sup> 1855

Begins with thick weather with squalls of rain all  
hands employed in getting off wood and fruit at  
6 P.M. steered S by W all sail set middle part light  
breezes latter part much the same steering S by W  
all sail set watch employed in ships duty  
4 ships in sight so ends these 24 hours  
Lat by obs 19° 29'

Saturday the 15

Begins with light breeze and squalls of rain from the  
N E steering S by W all sail set 4 sails in sight  
before the ship. Willoughby Wm Capt Astley, ship  
Maria Theresa Capt Davis, middle and latter part  
squally so ends these 24 hours  
Lat by obs 20° 26'

Sunday December the 16

Begins with pleasant weather from the N E Ludding  
S W by E all sail set watch employed in ships  
duty middle and latter part much the same  
so ends these 24 hours  
Lat by obs 21° 49'



Ship Florida of New Bedford Capt. Little

Monday the 17

Begins with light breeze from the S E steering  
S W by S all sail set middle part fine latter  
part light breezes from S E with rain squalling  
S W by S so ends these 24 hours

Remarks on board Tuesday December 18: 1855

Begins with light breeze with rain from the North  
ward heading S W by S all sail set watch  
employed in ships duty middle part strong breeze  
from the N heading S W took in studding  
sails and topgallant sails latter part much  
the same rain so ends these 24 hours  
Set by clock 24:20

Wednesday the 19

Begins with strong winds from the N W  
heading W S W ship under single reef top  
sails middle and latter part more moderate with all  
sail set one sail in sight so ends these 24 hours

Remarks on board Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>

Begins with pleasant weather with strong winds  
from the E heading S W by S all sail set watch  
employed in ships duty middle part fine latter part  
light air at 1/2 past 5 P M saw sperm whales heading  
N W at 8 lowered 3 boats and struck one and  
killed him so ends these 24 hours

Friday the 21

Begins with light breeze from the S E heading S W  
by S all sail set at 1 P M took the whale to the  
ship all hands employed in getting ready to cut into  
3 P M commenced cutting middle part watch employed in  
cutting up blubber latter part on Table 25-46  
men were baiting  
Long by Crow 171 = 4 5 1/2



Ship Florida Bound to New Zealand J.C.L.

Saturday the 22

Begins with light breeze from the N.E. heading S.W. all sail set all hands employed in boiling and cutting the head middle and tatter part much the same so ends these 24 hours

Sunday the 23

Begins with fine weather from the N.W. heading S.W. by S all sail set watch employed in boiling middle and tatter part much the same

so ends these 24 hours  
Remarks on board Monday December the 24

Begins with strong breeze from the N.E. heading S.W. by S all sail set watch employed in boiling middle part squally tatter part strong breeze from the Westward all sail set finished boiling so ends these 24 hours

Lab by Obs 28.198

Tuesday the 25

Begins with fine pleasant weather from the N.W. heading S.W. all sail set watch employed in ships duty middle part fine tatter part light breeze from the S.W. heading N.W. by W all sail set watch employed in cooping oil and stowing the main hatches so ends these 24 hours

Lab by Obs 28.45

Remarks on board Wednesday 26

Begins with light rising and fine weather from the S.W. heading N.W. all sail set watch employed in cooping oil middle part baffling wind all sail set tatter part light breeze from the S.W. heading N.W. all sail set all hands employed in stowing oil between decks so ends

Lab by Obs 28.23



Ship Florida after the Bedford bound to New Zealand

Thursday the 27

Begins with fine weather and light breeze from the S by W heading W by N all sail set all hands employed in stowing down oil spiddle part light breeze latter part fresh breeze from the Northward and Westward heading W all sail set watch employed in repairing sails so ends these 24 hours  
Lat by Obs 28:08

Remarks on board Friday December 28

Begins with pleasant weather and fine breezes from the S by W heading W by N all sail set all hands employed in mending sails at 4 P.M. sent the main topsail middle part strong breeze latter part much the same so ends these 24 hours  
Lat by Obs 28:13.5

Saturday the 29

Begins with fresh breeze from the S S E ship under all sail heading S by W middle part much the same latter part fresh breeze from S S E heading S by W all sail set watch employed in fitting the galley apt so ends these 24 hours  
Lat by Obs 29:26

Sunday the 30

Begins with strong breeze from the S S E heading S by W under all sail watch employed in ship's duty middle and latter part light breeze from the S E all sail set studding sails out heading S by W so ends these 24 hours  
Lat by Obs 30:38

Monday the 31

Begins with light breeze from N E steering S by W under all sail nothing in sight middle and latter part light breeze from N E heading S by W one sail in sight so ends these 24 hours  
Lat by Obs 31:36



Ship Florida of New Bedford Bound to N Zealand

Remarks on board Tuesday January the 1<sup>st</sup> 1856

Begins with light breeze from the N E heading S by W  
by S all sail set middle and latter part fine  
breeze from N E heading S by W all sail and  
sail in sight sail set employed in mending fore  
top sail so ends these 24 hours

Lat by Obs 33° 1

~~Wednesday~~ Thursday the 2<sup>nd</sup>

Begins with fine breeze from N E steering S by W  
by S all sail set middle part the same latter  
part fine breeze from the N E steering S by W three  
kinds in sight bearing South so ends these 24 hours

Lat by Obs 33° 40 S

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> 1856

Begins with fine weather and light breeze from the  
N E steering S by W by S all sail set watch employed  
in mending sails middle part baffling with  
sleeping S by W latter part wind from the N E  
steering S by W by S all sail set watch employed  
in breaking out water so ends these 24 hours

Lat by Obs 34° 26

Friday the 4<sup>th</sup> 1856

Begins with light breeze from the N E steering  
S by W by S all sail set watch employed in  
making rope middle and latter part light  
breeze from the N E steering S by W by S all  
sail set went down the fore sail so ends these

Lat by Obs 35° 24 S

Saturday the 5<sup>th</sup>

Begins with fine weather and light breeze from the  
E ship steering S by W by S all sail set saw  
black fish watch employed in mending the fore  
sail middle and latter part light winds and pleasant  
weather from the S ship heading W by S all sail  
but the fore sail so ends these 24 hours

Lat by Obs 36° 09 Long by Comp 69° 15



Ship Florida of New Bedford Bound to N Zeland  
January the 6

Sunday ~~the 6~~ the 6

Begins with moderate breeze from the S E heading  
S W by S under all sail saw two sails watch  
employed in ships duty middle part light breeze  
and luffing latter part strong breeze from  
the S W tacked ship heading to the S E  
so ends there 24 hours Lat by Obs 36-38

Monday the 7

Begins with strong breeze from the S W ship  
heading S E by S double reef the topsails  
took in the fore and mainsail and set the  
main spencer middle part strong breeze heading  
S E by E under double reef topsails and fore  
sail latter part wore ship heading to the S W  
so ends there 24 hours Lat by Obs 37-40

hauled down

Thames Tuesday the 8

Begins with a moderate gale from the S S E  
ship heading S W under close reef topsails and  
fore sail at 4 P M set the fore middle and latter  
part moderate made all sail heading S W by W  
two watch employed in ships duty so ends there 24  
hours

Wednesday the 9 = 18-56

Begins with moderate breeze from the S and luffing  
ship heading S E by E most part all sail set  
watch employed in breaking out slops and  
dried apples and Molasses middle part calm  
latter part light breeze from the W heading S  
with all sail set watch employed in ships duty  
so ends there 24 hours Lat by Obs 38-36

Thursday the 10

Begins with fresh breeze from the W steering  
S all sail set watch employed in ships duty  
broke out 2 barrels of meat one cask of water



Ship Florida of New Bedford Bound to New Zealand

middle part strong breeze from N<sup>W</sup> ship steering  
I took in light sails latter part strong breeze  
from the S<sup>E</sup> heading S<sup>W</sup> by S under double reef  
topsails and courses so ends these 24 hours

Lat by obs 40:42

Friday the 11

Begins with strong breeze from the S<sup>W</sup>  
heading N<sup>W</sup> by E under whole topsails and  
main top gallant sail some main sail finbacks  
watch employed in ships duty middle part strong  
breeze double reef the topsails and hauled  
the mainsail latter part strong breeze from the  
N<sup>W</sup> heading S<sup>W</sup> by E under double reef topsails  
so ends these 24 hours

Saturday the 12

Begins with strong breeze from the S<sup>W</sup>  
heading S<sup>E</sup> by E set whole topsails  
watch employed in ships duty middle part  
latter part the same single reef the top  
sails so ends these 24 hours

Sunday the 13

Begins with strong breeze from the S<sup>W</sup> ship  
heading S<sup>W</sup> by S double reef the top  
sails saw finbacks broke out for pickles  
middle part the same took in jib mainsail  
and fore topsail latter part took in mizen  
topsail so ends these 24 hours

Lat by obs 45:00

Monday the 14

commences with moderate gale from the  
S<sup>W</sup> ship laying two under close reef main  
top sail and foresail heading S<sup>W</sup> by S  
middle part the same set the fore and mizen topsails close  
reef latter part more moderate whole topsail jib  
and mainsail S<sup>W</sup> set main top gallant sail  
so ends these 24 hours



Ship Florida of New Bedford Borne

Remarks on Board Tuesday Jan the 18

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant  
weather from the W ship heading I under all  
sail set the fore topmast studding sail  
middle part fresh breeze from the W ship steering  
W by E under all sail latter part strong breeze  
from the E W heading I & took in the fore top  
mast studding sail so ends this day.

Lat by Obs 45:04

Wednesday the 19

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant  
weather from the S W heading I & all sail set  
under fore topmast catch employed in ships duty  
middle part light breeze from westward ship heading  
W under all sail latter part fresh breeze from the  
W ship steering I under all sail so ends this day.

Lat by Obs 46:40

Thursday the 20

this day commences with strong breeze from the North  
and pleasant weather ship heading I took in light  
sails double reefed the topsails furlled the gill and  
main sail broke out for water middle part strong  
gale from the North took in fore sail and main  
top sail the ship laying low under main spinnaker and  
fore topmast stay sail latter part more moderate set  
double reef topsails and fore sail broke gill a &  
cask of bread } so ends this day Long 163:40

Lat by Obs 47:08

Friday the 21

this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant  
weather from the W ship under double reef top sails  
and fore sail steering E at first then shifted the  
the course to S E nothing in sight wind  
latter part strong breeze from the S W  
the ship commencing for whale gear I & Zorba  
so ends this day Lat by Obs 48:38  
Long 166:37



To New Zealand S J C Little

Saturday the 19

This day commences with strong breeze from the S W ship heading to the E saw whole top sails and courses crossing fore whole at 7 P.M. took in sail and bore two saw finback middle part strong breeze laying two latter part strong breeze from the S W laying two under double reef main top sail and fore sail so ends this day

Lat by obs 48:17

Sunday the 20

Long by obs 166:07

This day commences with strong breeze and pleasant weather from the S W ship laying two under double reef main top sail and fore sail the main is in sight at 4 P.M. the shores bearing S W & one ship in sight steering to the eastward middle and latter part wind light cruising for whales saw nothing but finbacks the rocks in sight called the shores so ends this day

Lat by obs 48:50

Remarks on board Monday January the 21

This commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the Southward cruising for whales at 7 P.M. took in sail and bore two the shores in sight middle and latter part calm broke out a barrell of meat ship cruising for whales saw nothing so ends this day

Lat by obs 48:30

Tuesday the 22

This day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the N E heading to the S E saw whales did not lower a bales going quick took in sail and bore two middle and latter part strong breeze from the N ship heading to the Eastward saw a plenty of finbacks but no right whales so ends this day

Lat by obs 49:21

South



# Ship Florida of New Bedford Cruising

Remarks on board January Wednesday the 23

This day commences with strong breezes from the North ship heading to the Westward some rain saw pinbacks at 6 P.M. took in sail and bore to middle and latter part strong breeze and raining from the S.W. ship heading to the North and Eastward cruising so ends this day

Thursday the 24

This day commences with strong breeze and clear weather from the N.W. ship heading to the Eastward at 7 P.M. took in sail and bore two union close reef maintop sail middle and latter part strong breeze at 5 A.M. made sail and steered N.E. so ends this day  
Lat by obs 45° 57'

Friday the 25

This day commences with strong breeze and pleasant weather from the S.W. ship heading N.E. by N saw pinbacks set the water sea water for middle part strong breeze and squally from the S.W. ship steering N.E. latter part strong breeze from the S.W. ship steering N.E. broke out water so ends this day  
Long by Chron <sup>East</sup> 173° 00' Lat by obs 47° 20'

Remarks on Board Saturday January the 26

This day commences with a moderate gale from the S.W. and squally ship steering N.E. by N under double reef fore and maintop sail and fore sail middle and latter part a gale middle part took in the fore sail and foretop sail and close reef the maintop sail and bore two latter part took in maintop sail  
so ends this day



On New Zealand J C Little Master

Sunday the 27

this day commences with a strong gale from the S S  
the ship laying to with the main top sail furled  
middle and latter parts a moderate gale from  
the S S the ship laying to so ends this day

Sat log obs 45-37

Remarks on board Monday January the 28

this day commences with a strong breeze from the  
S S the ship kept off steering N E & S the  
double reef fore and main top sail and  
foremast middle part strong breeze running N E by E  
latter part strong breeze steering N N E set whole  
top sails so ends this day

Tuesday the 29

this day commences with strong breeze from the W  
ship steering N E with all sail set  
middle part light breeze from the S S the  
ship heading N N E latter part strong breeze and  
raining double reefed the top sail and took in the  
main sail so ends this day

Remarks on board Wednesday January the 30

this day commences with strong breeze and some  
rain from the S S kept off steering N under  
double reef fore and main top sail and foremast  
middle part strong breeze from the S S  
the ship steering N N E latter part moderate  
gale wind the same running N so ends this day

Sat log obs 37-54

Thursday the 31

this day commences with moderate gale from the S S  
ship steering N saw sperm whales but did not land  
or broke out for meat middle part laying to  
latter part wind light and sail heading to the N  
so ends this day Sat log obs 39-24



Ship Florida of New Bedford off

Remarks on board Friday February the 1-1859

Remarks on board Friday

This day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the S S W ship heading to the Westward the watch employed in breaking out flour and bread middle part laying two button part light breeze heading to the W W the land in sight New Zealand so ends this day Lat by Obs 38° 58'

Saturday the 2

This day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the S S W ship heading N N E the land in sight the North end of New Zealand middle part fresh breeze from the W N W ship heading N by E latter part strong breeze from the W N W ship heading N by E under double reef topsails so ends this day

Lat by Obs 38° 10'

Remarks on board Sunday the 3

This day commences with strong breeze and pleasant weather from the N W ship heading N N E under double reef fore and maintop sail and foresail at 6 AM took in the foretop sail middle part strong breeze from the W latter part strong breeze from the W N W ship laying two under double reef maintop sail and foresail so ends this day

Lat by Obs 36° 56'

Monday the 4 Long 179° 29' W

This day commences with strong breeze from the W N W ship laying two under double reef maintop sail and foresail at 5 a.m. set the foretop sail middle part strong breeze from the Westward the ship laying two under double reef fore and maintop sail and foresail latter part the same so ends this day

Lat by Obs 35° 34'



New Zealand J. C. Little-Mus-ton

Remarks on board Tuesday February 5 - 1856

this day commences with a moderate gale from the  
W took in the foretop sail the ship laying  
two under double reef main top sail and foresail  
middle part more moderate but the fore and main top  
sail heading N.W.W latter part light breeze from the  
W made all sail heading N.W.W so ends this day

Wednesday the 6<sup>th</sup> Lat by obs 34-18  
F. Supply by Capt 179-16 W

Thursday the 7<sup>th</sup> Lat by obs 38-16  
this day commences with light breeze and pleasant  
weather from the W heading N.W.W with all sail  
set at night took in sail and bore two  
middle and latter part light breeze from the W  
the a cruising for whale so ends this day

Remarks on board. Thursday February the 7

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant  
weather from the W ship heading on the wind to the  
N.W.W cruising at night took in sail and  
bore two middle part calm latter part light breeze  
from the S.E ship steering W all sail set  
cruising for sperm whale so ends this day

Friday the 8

this day commences with light breeze and  
pleasant weather from the S.E ship steering  
W cruising watch employed in ship's duties  
at night took in sail laying for sperm whale  
middle part light breeze latter part fresh  
breeze from the S.E steering W all sail  
broke out for water so ends this day

Lat by obs 32-23.5



# Ship Florida of New Bedford

Remarks on board Saturday the 9 - 1858

this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant weather from the E S E ship steering N spoke the ship James Arnold of New Bedford Captain Sullivan 33 months 2100 barrels of sperm oil middle part stormy breeze and rainy laying two latter part took in the foresail so ends this day

Sunday the 10

this day commences with stormy breeze and pleasant weather from the Southern and Eastern set the fore and mizzen topsails jib and main sail the James Arnold in sight and another sail in sight broke out for meat at sunset took in the fore and mizzen topsails jib and mainsail middle part laying two latter part wind from the N W made sail heading to the S W so ends this day  
Lat by obs 32 048

Monday the 11

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the N W tacked ship to the N spoke the James Arnold captain went on board night took in sail and bore two laying for sperm whale middle part laying two latter part light breeze from the Southward ship steering N E one sail in sight so ends this day  
Lat by obs 31-21

Tuesday the 12

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the Southward ship steering N E took in sail and bore two watch employed in making sperm whale middle part laying two latter part light breeze from the Southern ship heading N by the wind on the Starboard tack watch employed in ships duty so ends this day



N<sup>o</sup> 2

J. C. Little Master February the 9: 1856

Remarks on board Wednesday February the 13: 1856

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant  
weather from the Southward the ship heading  
by the wind watch employed in various parts  
at night took in sail and bore two middle part  
light breeze the ship laying two latter part under  
sail fine weather ship heading to the N<sup>o</sup> E  
cruising for whale so ends this day  
Lat by obs 31:22

Thursday the 14

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant  
weather from the E<sup>o</sup> S the ship heading to the  
N<sup>o</sup> E all sail set at night took in sail laying  
for whale watch employed in fitting rigging  
middle part laying two latter part light  
breeze from the E<sup>o</sup> S the ship heading to the  
N<sup>o</sup> E saw black fish so ends this day  
Lat by obs 30:23

Friday the 15

This day commences with light breeze and  
pleasant weather from the E<sup>o</sup> S the ship heading  
to the Southward all sail set at night took  
in sail and bore two laying for whales  
middle part fine weather the ship laying two  
latter part light breeze from the E<sup>o</sup> S  
ship heading to the S E all sail set one ship  
in sight so ends this day  
Lat by obs 31:20

Saturday the 16

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant  
weather from the E<sup>o</sup> S the ship heading N all sail  
set at night took in sail and bore two  
middle part light breeze the ship laying two  
latter part light breeze and sailing weather from  
the W<sup>o</sup> S the ship under all sail  
so ends this day



# Ship Florida of New Bedford

Remarks on board Sunday the 17

This day commences with light breeze and good weather from the NNE with the ship steering E and cruising for whales at sundown took in sail and bore two middle part light breeze the ship laying two latter part light breeze and pleasant weather from the SSE ship heading N by E & ~~no more~~ broke out 2 barrels of meat so ends these 24 hours

Lat by obsen 31-06

Monday the 18

This day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the SSE & the ship heading to the NNE fresh Rock in sight saw 4 ships in sight of the the Barge Favorite of Fair Haven <sup>Capt. Spooner</sup> & seasons 1500 barrels middle part fresh breeze ship laying two latter part strong breeze from the S by E the ship heading to the Eastward French rock in sight broke out for water so ends this day

Lat by obsen 31-01

Tuesday the 19

This day commences with strong breeze and rough weather from the S by E ship heading N by E the rocks called the Curtees and goat Island and 5 sails in sight middle part strong breeze ship laying two latter part strong strong breeze from the S by E the ship steering by the wing goat Island in sight 9 sails in sight

Lat by obsen 30-25

Wednesday the 20

This day commences with strong breeze from the S by E ship steering by the Goat Island in sight saw 9 ships took in sail and bore two middle part laying two latter part light breeze from the S heading by the wind 4 ships in sight so ends this day



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J. C. Little Master Flying 17-10-16

Remarks on board Thursday the 21

this day commences with light breeze from the Southward the ship heading to W S W like the ship Gayheart of New Bedford Captain Thoid 41 months out 15:50 of sperm oil middle part calm latter part light air ship all sail set broke out moccasins and sugar so ends this day  
Lat by obs 30:09

Friday the 22

this day commences with light breeze from the E N E ship heading by the wind on the starboard tack broke out a cask of bread took in sail middle part wind light breeze from the Westward ship heading to the S so ends this day

Lat by obs 30:27

Remarks on board Saturday the 23

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the Westward the ship heading to the S all sail set one sail in sight middle and latter part light breeze cruising for whale saw nothing so ends this day

Lat by obs 31:04

Sunday the 24

this day commences with light from the East and ship under all sail saw sperm whale saw 4 boats struck one and got him to the ship one sail in sight middle part cruising for whale latter part employed in cutting in the whale so ends this day

Lat by obs 30:56 S

Long by obs 179:00 W

Sub J Barrant  
Ship Florida of New Bedford



# Ship Florida of New Bedford Cruising

Remarks on Board Monday the 25<sup>th</sup>

This day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the E. & S. ship heading S. by the wind commenced boiling turned took in sail and hove two middle part laying two a boiling latter put light breeze from the S. & ship all sail out a boiling so ends this day

Tuesday the 26<sup>th</sup>

This day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the N. & ship heading E. & S. all sail set finished boiling French Rock in sight spoke the Barque Martha off of the port Captain Smith 21 months 200 barrels middle part calm latter part light breeze from the S. & ship heading by the wind 4 sails in sight so ends this day

Lat by Lisan 31-54

Wednesday the 27<sup>th</sup>

This day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the S. & ship heading by the wind gunning with the Martha of New Bedford 2 sails in sight at sunset took in sail again middle part light breeze and pleasant weather ship laying two latter part light breeze ship heading by the wind all sail so ends this day

Lat by Lisan 31-41

Thursday the 28<sup>th</sup>

This day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant weather from the S. & ship heading 11 2 sails in sight at sunset took in sail and kept to the wind middle part laying two latter part strong breeze from the S. ship heading 11 11 under double reef topsails stowed down 26 barrels of sperm oil so ends this day

Lat by Lisan 30-53



In. Feb 30-56 to Aug 179-90 Wm. J. C. Little

Remarks on Board Friday February the 29

this day commences with strong breeze and rugged  
weather from the E ship steering W by W under  
double reef topsails broke out water flour and meat  
at sunset took in sail and left to the wind  
middle part laying two latter part strong breeze  
and rugged weather from the E ship running N by W  
so ends this day

March

Lat by obsn 31-49 S

Remarks on board Saturday March the 1-1856

this day commences with strong breeze and rugged  
weather from the E the ship steering N by W  
2 miles in sight spoke the ship two Brothers  
of New Bedford one reason out 300 barrels Captain  
Childs middle part strong breeze the ship laying two  
latter part strong breeze from the E S & the ship  
heading S under double reef topsails and gill  
and courses so ends this day

Sunday the 2<sup>d</sup>

this day commences with strong breezes and  
rugged weather from the E S & ship heading  
N under short sail a severe look in sail  
and wore ship heading to the Northward middle  
part laying two latter part strong breeze from  
the E S & heading N E under double reef top  
sails and courses so ends this day  
Lat by obsn 32-56

Monday the 3<sup>d</sup>

this day commences with strong breezes and rugged  
weather from the E S & ship heading N by W under  
double reef topsails spoke the Barque Allaburn  
of Nantucket Captain Coffin middle part ship laying  
two latter part strong breeze from S & ship stea-  
ring N by W so ends this day



Ship Florida of New Bedford

Remarks on board Tuesday March the 4<sup>th</sup> 1856

The day commences with a strong breeze and  
muggy weather from the S E ship steering S W by  
W under double reef top sails and before  
strong breeze ship laying two latter strong breeze  
from the S E ship steering W S W under  
double reef top sails so ends this day  
Lat by obs 34 56

Wednesday the 5

this day commences with strong breeze and muggy  
weather from the S E ship steering W  
S W under double reef top sails and still in sight  
at night took in sail and kept to the wind  
middle part fresh breeze ship laying two latter  
part light breeze from the S E ship steering  
W S W by S so ends this day  
Lat by obs 33-49

Thursday the 6

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant  
weather from the E ship standing S. P. E under all  
sail set bound to Mangarua the land in sight  
the Cooper employed in setting up shacks to  
join water middle and latter part calm the  
land in sight one sail in sight  
so ends this day  
Lat by obs 34-35

Friday the 7

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant  
weather from the Westward ship standing S and  
on to the land got a sunfish got the sails and  
bent them middle part light breeze ship heaving  
to the windward latter part light breeze  
and pleasant weather from the S E the  
ship heaving up the land  
so ends this day

Lat by obs 34-45 S



New Zealand J. C. Little Master

Remarks on board Saturday March the 8

this day commences with strong breeze and rugged  
weather from the S E ship working up the  
loose in light sails and double reefed the top sail  
3 sail in sight one barque one ship one brig middle  
part strong breeze latter part strong breeze from  
the E ship beating up to Mangonui  
so ends this day

Sunday the 9

this day commences with strong breeze and  
rugged weather from the E ship working up  
to the land 2 sails in sight broke out a  
fine off broad middle and latter part light  
breeze beating in to the harbor at Mangonui  
so ends this day

Monday the 10

this day commences with light breeze come to anchor  
in port got a raft of casks on shore  
middle part in port latter part employed in  
getting off water so ends this day

Tuesday the 11

this day commences in port hands employed  
in stowing down water there 24 barrels finish  
ed with getting water and wood so ends this day

Wednesday the 12

this day commences ~~with~~ in port employed  
in stowing down water and wood latter  
part getting water and potatoes so ends this day

Thursday the 13

this day commences in port employed in  
stowing down water middle and latter  
part in port on water above and  
stirring so ends this day



Ship Florida of New Bedford

Remarks on Board Friday the 14

this day commences in port employed  
in getting of potatoes and amov  
middle and latter part in port  
so ends this day

Saturday the 15

this day commences with being in port  
one watch ashore on liberty latter part  
wind light we took the anchor and stood  
to sea with a fine breeze from the Eastward  
so ends this day

Sunday the 16

this day commences with light breeze and  
pleasant weather from the Eastward. saw  
all hands employed in scraping the  
cables saw Blackfish lowered the boats  
and got two middle and latter part wind  
light ship heading N E so ends this day

Monday the 17

this day commences with light breeze and  
pleasant weather from the N E ship  
heading N E saw Blackfish middle  
part calm latter part light breeze from the  
Eastward ship heading N Captain and mate  
so ends this day

Tuesday the 18

this day commences with fresh breeze and  
squally weather from the E N E ship heading  
N one sail in sight broke out water middle and  
latter part light breezes and squally so ends the  
Lab by aben 33-49

Wednesday the 19

this day commences with fresh breeze and squally  
from the E ship heading N E all sail  
one sail in sight of the station house



New Zealand J; C Little Maslen

middle part squally latter part strong breeze and  
squally weather from the E S E ship heading N E  
so ends this day

Thursday the 20

this day commences with strong breeze and  
squally weather from the E ship heading N E  
one sail in sight middle and latter part  
strong breeze and squally weather from the E S E  
ship heading N E under double reef topsail  
so ends this day

Friday the 21

this day commences with strong breeze and  
squally weather from the E S E ship heading  
N E under double reef main topsail and foresail  
one sail in sight latter part strong breeze and  
squally from the S E ship heading E N E Land  
employed in mending the maintop sail so ends this day  
Lat by obs 31-48

Saturday the 22

this day commences with strong breeze and  
squally weather from the S E ship heading N E  
by E bent the maintop sail ship laying two  
broke out one barrel of pork and one of beef  
middle and latter part moderate gale from  
the E S E ship heading N E so ends this day

Sunday the 23

this day commences with a moderate gale  
from the E S E ship heading N E under close  
reef main topsail and foresail middle and latter  
part rugged weather from E S E ship laying two  
Lat by obs 31-05

Monday the 24

this day commences with rugged weather from the E S E  
ship laying two under close reef main topsail and foresail  
middle and latter part wind strong from the S E  
ship laying two under close reef main topsail and reef foresail  
so ends this day



Ship Florida of New Bedford New Zealand

Remarks on board Tuesday March the 25

this day commences with a moderate gale from the S E ship laying two under close reef maintopsail and reef fore sail heading to the E N E middle and latter part a gale from the S E took in the fore sail ship laying two heading E S E so ends this day

Lat by obs 30-00

Wednesday the 26

this day commences with a gale from the S E ship laying two under close reef maintopsail started 2 casks of water middle and latter part more moderate but the fore sail so ends this day Lat by obs 29-24

Thursday the 27

this day commences with strong winds from the S S E ship laying two under double reef maintopsail and fore sail heading E middle part laying two latter part strong breeze from S S E ship under double reef topsails spoke the barque Franklin of New Bedford Captain Packard 31 months 1000 barrels of sperm

Friday the 28

this day commences with strong breeze and veered wether from the S S E ship heading N W under double reef topsails middle and latter part strong breeze from the S S E ship heading by the wind so ends this day

Lat by obs 29-59

Saturday the 29

this day commences with strong breeze and pleasant wether from the S ship heading E by S under single reef topsails with main sail set 4 o'clock saw a fin back



J. C. Little Master March the 25 = 1856

middle part laying two latter part strong  
breeze from the ship heading ESE under  
double reef topsails so ends this day

Lat by obs 30-00

Sunday the 30

Long by Chron 177-20

this day commences with strong breeze and  
breeze from the ship heading ESE under  
double reef topsails jib and mainsail  
middle part laying two latter part fresh  
breeze from the ship heading ESE all  
sail set and sail in sight so ends this day

Lat by obs 30-22

Monday the 31

this day commences with fresh breeze and  
pleasant weather from the ship heading  
SE by E all sail set one sail in sight  
middle part laying two latter part fresh breeze  
from the ship steering ESE under whole  
topsails watch employed in mending the foretopsail  
so ends this day

Lat by obs 31-00

Remarks on board Tuesday April the 1

April

this day commences with fresh breeze and  
pleasant weather from the ship steering ESE  
under whole topsails reset the foretopsail  
middle part laying two latter part light breeze  
from the ship heading E all sail set  
broke out for flour and bread so ends this day

Lat by obs 31-30

Wednesday the 2

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant  
weather from the ship heading E all sail set  
middle part laying two latter part heading W E spoke  
the ship young Men of Nantucket captain  
Long 5 months out so ends this day



# Ship Florida of New Bedford

Remarks on board Thursday the 3

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the E & E ship heading N E all sail set started 1 cast of water middle part laying two latter part light breeze and pleasant weather from the E & E ship heading N E by E all sail set 3 sails in sight French Rock in sight some Lat by obsen 31-37

Friday the 4

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the E ship heading N E all sail set fast French rock and took in sail middle part laying two latter part light breeze from the N N E ship heading E N E all sail set one sail in sight some this day Lat by obsen 31-42

Saturday the 5

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the N N E ship heading E N E all sail set one sail in sight middle part laying two latter part light breeze and pleasant weather from the E ship heading N all sail set looking for whales some this day Lat by obsen 31-06

Sunday the 6

this day commences with a calm ship with all sail set hands employed in ship duty middle part laying two latter part light breeze from the N ship heading N N W under all sail one sail in sight a boiling a sperm whale

ends this day

Lat by obsen 30-14



New Zealand J. C. Little Master

Remarks on board Monday the 7-1856

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the N.W. & ship heading E all sail set saw 2 ships goat island in sight and the Curtis rocks in sight middle part laying two latter part light breeze ship heading to the Westward 2 sails in sight goat island in sight so ends this day

Lat by obs 30-09

Tuesday the 8

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the S.E. ship steering N under all sail 3 sails in sight goat island and Sunday island in sight fore part from water middle part laying two latter part calmer saw sperm whale lowered 4 boats but no success goat and Sunday island in sight 3 sails in sight so ends this day

Wednesday the 9

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather the land in sight saw three sails saw black fish lowered the boats and got one middle part calmer latter part calmer 5 sails in sight goat island in sight and Sunday island spoke the ship Eliza both swift of New Bedford so ends this day

Thursday the 10

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the N.W. ship heading N.E. the land in sight 5 sails in sight saw black fish lowered the boats and got one middle part laying two latter part strong breeze from the S.E. ship heading N.E. 4 sails in sight and goat island so ends this day



# Ship Florida of New Bedford Cruising

Remarks on board Friday the 11-1856

this day commences with strong breeze and  
rugged weather from the S E ship heading  
E N E under double reef topsails 2 sails in  
sight showed signals with the ship Sea  
Gull and Hesperian Thornton of New  
Bedford middle fat laying two latter fat  
strong breeze from the E S E ship heading  
N double reef topsails 5 sails in sight

Saturday the 12

this day commences with strong breeze and  
rugged weather from the E S E ship heading  
N 4 sails in sight Sunday island in sight  
spoke the ship Isaac Howland of New  
Bedford capt. Hopps 16 months 3800 sperm  
middle fat laying two latter fat light  
breeze from the S E saw sperm whales lowered  
the boats in chase but no catch was made this day

Sunday the 13

this day commences with light breeze and  
pleasant weather from the S E all sail set  
saw the whales again and lowered but no  
success the land in sight middle and latter  
fat light breeze and pleasant weather from the  
S E ship heading N E saw sperm whale  
lowered the boats in chase no ends this day

Monday the 14

this day commences with light breeze and  
pleasant weather from the S E ship heading  
N E the boats chasing the whales but no  
catch there was blackfish one sail in  
sight Sunday island in sight  
Ship Florida



of Penang Island J. C. Little. Master

middle and latter part fresh breeze and  
variable saw sperm whales lowered the  
boats but no success broke out a barrel  
of meat so ends this day

Lat by obs. 2 52 59

Tuesday the 15

this day commences with fresh breeze from  
the N E ship all sail set heading E S  
& watch employed in setting up rigging  
middle part laying two latter part light breeze  
from the N E saw sperm whales lowered  
the boats 1 and struck one and drew

so ends this day

Wednesday the 16

this day commences with strong breeze  
from the N E chasing sperm whales no  
success came on board and took in sail  
middle part laying two latter part strong  
breeze from the N E ship heading N W  
employed in mending a boat so ends this day

Lat by obs. 2 55 6

Thursday the 17

this day commences with a strong breeze from  
the N E ship heading N W under sole top  
sails and courses employed in mending a boat  
middle part laying two latter part light breeze  
and rainy ship all sail set cruising for sperm whales

so ends this day

Friday the 18

this day commences with fresh breeze from the  
N E ship all sail set saw sperm whales  
lowered all 4 boats struck two and got  
them to the ship middle part laying by  
the whales latter part all hands were  
cutting ice the whales  
got island in sight  
so ends this day



Ship Florida of New Bedford

Saturday the 19

this day commences with fresh breeze and  
some mist all hands employed in cutting  
the whale finished cutting the body  
middle part laying by the whale heads latter  
part cut in are lead. and began to boil  
so ends this day

Sunday the 20

this day commences with strong breeze  
finer hell cutting in employed in boiling  
middle part laying two boiling latter part  
laying two ~~boiling~~ so ends this day  
Lat by. absc 30.52

Monday the 21

this day commences with strong breeze  
employed in boiling and breaking out  
middle part laying two employed in  
boiling latter part light breeze employed  
in boiling so ends this day

Lat by. absc 31.25

Tuesday the 22

this day commences with light breeze and  
pleasant weather from the N E ship laying  
two a boiling middle part laying two  
a boiling latter part light breeze a  
boiling the land in sight so ends this day

Wednesday the 23

this day commences with light breeze and  
pleasant weather from the E ship heading  
to the North stop boiling spoke the  
barque George Washington of New Bedford  
Captain Conner 24 months 100 of sperm oil  
middle part light breeze latter part light  
breeze all hands employed in stowing  
down oil put down 65 barrels of oil  
so ends this day



Ship Flourey of New Bedford

Thursday the 24  
this day commences with light breeze  
and pleasant weather from the E ship  
hudding. All sail set middle part  
laying two latter part light breeze and pleas  
ant weather from the S W hudding. All ship  
with all sail set employed in slowing down  
oil Curtis rocks in sight bearing N N W  
so ends this day

Friday the 25

this day commences with light breeze and pleas  
ant weather from the S W the ship hudding  
All sail set employed in slowing  
down oil and finished the rocks in sight  
one sail in sight middle part calm latter  
part light breeze from the S ship hudding  
All sail set one sail in sight goat  
island in sight bearing S E so ends this day

Saturday the 26

this day commences with light breeze and  
pleasant weather from the S ship hudding  
All sail set watch employed in  
slowing down meat goat island in sight  
one sail in sight middle part calm latter  
part strong breeze from the S W the ship  
hudding All 2 sails in sight so ends  
this day

Sunday the 27

this day commences with strong breeze and  
rough weather from the S W the ship hudding  
under double reef topsails & sails in sight  
saw the Barque Lafayette of N Bedford and  
the ship Lyon of Providence capt. Handwick 400  
and capt. E. Allen 1500 middle part laying two latter  
part strong breeze 4 sails in sight saw 3 small vessels  
down boats but got nothing so ends this day



Ship Florida of New Bedford  
Remarks on board Monday April the 28

this day commences with strong breeze  
and rugged weather from the E of the ship  
laying aback with the ship. Lyon speaks  
the ship. Clara Crocker of New Bedford  
captain. We cleave middle part laying two latter  
part strong breeze from the ESE under double  
reef topsails saw sperm whales lowered a boat  
but no success saw the ship Lyon takes one  
so ends this day

Tuesday the 29

this day strong breeze and rugged weather  
from the ESE ship heading. Under  
double reef topsails goat island in  
sight employed in mending a boat.  
Middle part laying two latter part strong  
breeze from the ESE ship heading. Fly &  
employed in mending a boat saw a ship  
a cutting so ends this day

Wednesday the 30

this day commences with strong breeze and  
rugged weather from the ESE ship heading.  
Fly & under whole topsails and courses  
Sunday Island in sight 2 ships in sight  
middle part laying two latter part fresh  
breeze and fine weather from the South  
ship heading. Fly & under whole top  
sails Sunday Island in sight so ends this

Thursday May the 1

this day commences with fresh breeze  
and equally weather from the S ship heading.  
Fly & double reef topsails and courses Sunday  
Island in sight bearing off. 11 men employed  
in firing the rigging and painted a boat



Ship Florida of New Bedford

middle part Laying two latter part  
strong breeze from the S.W. the ship  
building I & by E under double reef top sails  
see Sunday Island in sight

so ends this day

Friday the 2-18-56

this day commences with strong breeze  
and rugged weather from the S.W. the  
ship building I & by E under double reef top  
sails watch employed in ships duty  
middle part Laying two latter part strong  
breeze from the S.W. ship building I & by E  
watch employed in mending the main  
rigging so ends this day

Saturday the 3

this day commences with strong breeze and  
rugged weather from the S.W. ship building  
I & by E under double reef top sails one ship  
in sight Sunday Island in sight watch  
employed in making rope middle part Laying  
two latter part strong breeze from the S.W.  
the ship building I & under whole top sails  
watch employed in the rigging and making rope  
saw one sail Sunday Island in sight had a  
shock of an earthquake so ends this day

Sunday the 4

this day commences with strong breeze and  
rugged weather from the S.W. the ship building  
I & by E under whole top sails broke out for  
meat watch employed in making rope and  
working in the rigging middle part Laying two  
huddling to the Westward latter part light  
breeze from the Northward ship building  
to the Westward all sail set in Sunday  
Island in sight so ends this day



Ship Florida of New Bedford

Remarks on board Monday May the 5-1856



This day commences with light breeze and pleasant  
weather from the Southward ship heading to  
the Westward all until not saw sperm whales  
lowered the boats and got fast to one and  
killed him and took him alongside of the  
ship middle part laying by the whale  
latter part strong breeze and rough  
weather from the E all hands employed  
in cutting the whale so ends this day

Tuesday the 6

This day commences with strong breeze and  
rough weather finished cutting the whale  
and lost the head. Tuesday Island in  
right middle part laying two a boiling  
latter part fresh breeze from the ESE  
ship heading N a boiling under short  
sails so ends this day

Wednesday the 7

This day commences with fresh breeze and  
rough weather from the ESE ship heading  
N a boiling under short sail one sail in  
right and Sunday Island in right  
middle part laying two latter part fresh  
breeze from ESE ship heading N under  
short sail finished boiling Sunday  
Island in sight one sail in right so ends  
this day

Thursday the 8

This day commences with fresh breeze  
and rough weather from the ESE ship  
heading N by W under short sail gone in  
sight Island in sight leaving 1/2  
one sail in sight water employed  
in cleaning up the decks

Dr. J. L. Gardner, Surgeon, Betsey  
C. to S. A. M. was missing. Supposed to be  
overboard.



Ship Florida of New Bedford  
middle part laying two latter part fresh  
breeze from the E S E ship heading S  
under short sail 2 sails in sight Curtis rocks  
in sight. so ends this day

Friday the 9

This day commences with fresh breeze  
and pleasant weather from the E S E ship  
heading S E watch employed in  
confining oil French Rock and Curtis rocks  
in sight middle part laying two latter  
part strong breeze and rugged weather from  
the E S E ship under short sail confined  
some oil goat Island and Curtis rocks  
in sight so ends this day

Saturday the 10

This day commences with strong breeze  
and rugged weather from the E S E ship  
under short sail heading S W E Goat  
Island in sight middle part laying two  
latter part strong breeze from the E ship  
heading S E either tack all hands employed  
in stowing down oil Goat Island in  
sight so ends this day

Sunday the 11

This day commences with strong breeze  
and rugged weather from the E ship head-  
ing S S E under short sail finished  
stowing down oil stowed down 60 barrels  
of sperm oil goat Island in sight bearing N  
middle part laying two latter part strong  
breeze from the E S E ship heading S E either  
tack so ends this day



Ship Glorinda of Sundry Island  
May Sundry 13<sup>th</sup> 1856  
Began strong gales from E S E heaving  
on Leeward tack by the wind doubled  
top sail set

Remarks on board Friday the 12

this day commences with fresh breezes and  
sandy weather from the S E ship heaving  
on either tack Eant and Sundry  
Island in sight one sail in sight middle  
part laying two latter part fresh breeze  
and pleasant weather from the N W E the  
ship heaving E by S watch employed  
to work in the riggers so ends this day

Saturday the 13

this day commences with fresh breezes  
and pleasant weather from the N W E  
ship heaving E by S watch employed  
to in pulling down the fore and mizzen  
rigging middle part laying two latter part  
right breeze from the N E ship heaving  
on either tack so ends this day

Sunday the 14

this day commences with strong breeze  
and squally weather from the N E  
the ship heaving on either tack double  
reef top sails set started some water  
middle part laying two latter part right  
breeze from the N W ship heaving on  
either tack so ends this day

Sat by abea 31-08

Thursday the 15

this day commences with light breeze and  
some rainy ship heaving on either tack water  
employed to work in the riggers



# Ship Glorinda of Buncle Island Cruising

middle part laying two latter part  
a gale from the W ship laying two  
leading to the W & W water craft  
sized in mending the mainsail. Lat 30-57  
so ends this day

Friday the 16

this day commences with a gale from  
the W ship laying two leading  
W & W water craft employed in  
mending the mainsail top sail middle  
part laying two latter part strong gale  
from the W kept her off steering  
N E split the main top sail and bent  
another so ends this day

Lat by obs 30-04

Saturday the 17

this day commences with strong gales  
from the S W ship steering N E  
bent a new top gallant sail and  
rove some new rigging middle part mending  
N E latter part strong gale  
running N E bent a new fore top  
sail so ends this day

Lat by obs 28-38

Sunday the 18

this day commences with a fresh gale  
from the W ship steering N E under  
close reef topsails bent a new fore  
sail and a new gill and fore topmast  
stay sail middle part running N latter part  
strong breeze from the S E ship steering  
N by W under whole topsails  
and fore sail  
so ends this day

Lat by obs 26-32 P



Ship Florida off New Bedford

May Monday the 19-1856

This day commences with light breeze  
and pleasant weather from the S ship  
slewing off by W under whole topsails  
are sail in sight middle part laying on  
latter part light breeze from the  
S ship heading by the wind with  
landward tack all sail set so ends this day  
Sat by obs. 25-26

Tuesday the 20 Long 17-08 W

This day commences with light breeze and  
pleasant weather from the S ship heading  
to the Eastward saw sperm whales lowered  
the boats but no success one sail in sight  
middle part laying two latter part light  
breeze from the Southward ship & cruising  
so ends this day Sat by obs. 25-04

Wednesday the 21

This day commences with light breeze  
and pleasant weather from the S ship  
saw sperm whales lowered the boats  
struck one and took him to the ship  
and cut him in middle part laying  
two latter part light breeze commenced  
boiling so ends this day

Sat by obs. 25-00 S

Thursday the 22

This day commences with light breeze  
and pleasant weather from the S ship  
ship heading on either tack & boiling  
middle part laying two latter part calm  
ship at boiling

so ends this day  
Sat by obs. 25-19



Ship Florida of New Bedford

Friday the 23

This day commences with light air and  
windle ship with all sail next forenoon  
boiling and cleared up the deck middle  
part laying two latter parts light breeze  
from the W ship heading on either tack  
all sail set and sail in sight so ends this day  
Sailed by obs 25-21

Saturday the 24

This day commences with light breeze  
and pleasant weather from the W ship  
heading on either tack spoke the ship  
Alpha of Nantucket capt Caswell hands  
employed in coo pairing oil middle part  
ship under short sail latter part light breeze  
all hands employed in blowing down oil  
so ends this day

Sunday the 25

This day commences with strong breeze and  
pleasant weather N.W. W ship heading on either  
tack finished blowing down oil put down  
48 barrels and 29 gallons 2 sails in sight  
middle part laying two latter & strong gale  
laying two under close reef main top sail  
and foresail so ends this day

Monday the 26

This day commences with strong gale from  
the W ship laying two under close  
reef main top sail and foresail head-  
ing to the fourth one sail in sight  
middle part laying two under close reef  
main top sail and foresail latter part  
moderate gale from the W kept off  
blowing N.E. by S under whole top  
sail for Cape Sable  
so ends this day



Ship Florida of New Bedford

Monday the 27

this day commences with strong gales  
and squally from the W ship steering  
S E by S under whole topsails and main  
top gallant sail middle part lapping two  
took in the main topsail latter part  
lapping two it blowing strong so ends the  
day Feb by obs 27-1688

Tuesday the 28

this day commences with strong gale from  
the W by N set double reef fore and  
main topsails and kept off steering S E  
middle part steering S E by E latter part  
strong breeze steering W by E all sail  
set watch employed in cleaning up the  
decks

Wednesday the 29

this day commences with strong breeze  
from the W ship steering S E by S  
all sail set took in the Bow and  
Waist head middle part strong breeze  
steering S E by S latter part strong breeze  
and squally ship steering S E by S  
all sail set so ends this day

Thursday the 30

this day commences with strong  
breeze and heavy squalls from the W  
ship steering S E by S middle part strong  
breeze and heavy squalls steering S E latter  
part the same ship steering S E by S  
so ends this day Feb by obs 30-1688

Friday the 31 May 1688-89

this day commences with strong breeze  
and squally weather from the W ship  
steering S E single reef topsails set  
and courses and gale



Bound <sup>rig</sup> for Cape Horn

middle part fresh breeze and pleasant  
weather from the S S W ship steering  
N E all sails set latter part strong breeze  
from the N W ship steering E with the  
foretopmast standing sail so and this day  
Lat by obs. 35-04 S

Remarks on board Tuesday June the 1<sup>st</sup>  
June

This day commences with strong breeze  
and good weather from the N W W  
ship steering S E by S all sail set  
middle part strong breeze from the N W  
ship steering N E by S latter part strong  
breeze from the S S W ship heading N E  
so and this day Lat by obs. 37-13

Monday the 2<sup>d</sup>

This day commences with strong breeze  
from the S W ship heading N E by E  
double reef topsails set middle part  
strong gales steering S E latter part strong  
gales from the S W ship steering S E by E  
single reef topsails and top gallant sails  
Lat by obs. 39-35

<sup>ry</sup> Tuesday the 3<sup>d</sup>

This day commences with strong gales  
from the S W ship steering E S E  
single topsails and top gallant sails  
middle part strong breeze from the S W  
latter part light breeze from the W ship steering E  
N E all sail set so and this day  
Lat by obs. 41-06 S

Bent a New Main top Gallant  
sail and on the fore



# Ship Florida of New Bedford

June Wednesday the 2

this day commences with light breeze and squally weather from the W. N. W. ship steering E. S. E. all sail set fore top single studding sail set middle part fresh breeze from the W. N. W. ship steering E. S. E. latter part the same winds this day  
Lat by obs 42-35

Thursday the 3 Long by comp 153-00 West

this day commences with strong breeze and squally from the W. ship steering E. S. E. broke out fore, main and mizzen middle part strong breeze latter part strong breeze and squally from the W. N. W. the ship heading E. S. E. all sail set so ends this day  
Lat by obs 43-55

Friday the 4

this day commences with strong breeze and squally weather from the W. N. W. ship steering E. S. E. took in top gallant sails and fore topmast studding sail middle part strong breeze and heavy squalls from S. S. W. steering E. latter part steering E. by S. so ends this day  
Lat by obs 44-38 S

Saturday the 5

this day commences with strong breeze and heavy squalls from the S. S. W. the ship steering East double reef top sails set middle part strong breeze and squally from the W. N. W. steering E. by S. latter part strong breeze and squally from the S. S. W. steering E. single reef top sails set so ends this day

Lat by obs 44-47 S  
Long by comp 140-30 West



Round for Cape Horn <sup>the 4</sup> 1858

Sunday the 8

this day commences with strong breeze and the  
squalls from the W ship steering E by S  
single reef to sails jib and main and  
middle part strong breeze steering E by S  
latter part strong breeze from the S W  
by S all sail set so ends this day

Lat by noon 45-35 South

Monday the 9 Long by noon 18 00

this day commences with strong breeze and  
frequent water from the W ship steering  
E by S all sail set middle part strong breeze  
ship steering E by S latter part strong breeze  
from the W ship steering E by S all  
sail set so ends this day Lat by noon 47-58

Tuesday the 10

this day commences with strong breeze and  
thick water from the W ship steering  
E by S all sail set middle and latter  
part light breeze and thick water from  
the W ship steering E by S all sail set  
broke out for bread and water so ends this

Wednesday the 11

this day commences with fresh breeze  
and some rain from the W ship steering  
E by S all sail set broke out for  
flour middle and latter part strong breeze  
and thick from the W ship steering E by S  
so ends this day

Thursday the 12

this day commences with strong breeze and  
thick water from the W ship steering E by S  
fore to main sheeting sail set middle and  
latter part strong gale from the W steering E  
so ends this day Lat by noon 49-41 South  
Long by noon 18 11



Ship Florida of New Bedford

Remarks on board Friday the 13<sup>th</sup>

This day commences with stronger gales from the West ship steering E by N under close reef fore and main topsails and reef fore sail middle and latter part stronger gale from the West ship heading E by N close reef fore and main topsails so ends this day

Sailed by ab 99-25

Saturday the 14<sup>th</sup>

This day commences with more moderate weather from the N W the ship heading E under single reef topsails jib and mainsail middle and latter part light breeze from the N E ship heading N E ship under all sail so ends this day

Sailed by ab 49-28 S

Sunday the 15<sup>th</sup>

Long by cron 115-30.11

This day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the N E ship heading N E all sail set broke out for meat middle and latter part fresh breeze N E ship heading N E so ends this day

Monday the 16<sup>th</sup>

This day commences with fresh breeze and ragged weather from the E S E ship heading N E under double reef topsails middle and latter part strong breeze from the E S E ship heading E N E so ends this day

Sailed by ab 52-51 W

Tuesday the 17<sup>th</sup>

This day commences with stronger breeze and ragged weather from the E S E ship heading E N E double reef topsails set and courses middle and latter part fresh breeze from the E S E ship heading E N E so ends this day



# Bound to Cape Horn

Wednesday the 18

this day commences with fresh breeze and gusts  
rather from the E N E ship heading N N E  
all sail set middle and latter part light air  
suffling ship under with 3 sails so ends this day

Thursday the 19

this day commences with fresh breeze and gusts  
rather from the off ship heading E by N  
all sail set broke out for better  
middle and latter part strong breeze  
from the W ship steering E all sail set  
so ends this day Lat by obs 52-55 S  
Long by cron 107 W

Friday the 20

this day commences with strong breezes  
from the W W ship steering E all  
sail set middle and latter part strong  
gales from the W ship steering E  
by W double reef topsails set so ends this day  
Lat by obs 54-58 S

Saturday the 21

this day commences with strong gales and  
rugged from the W ship steering E by W  
whole main top sail and double reef fore  
middle and latter part strong gales from  
the S W the ship steering E by W double  
reef topsails set so ends this day  
Lat by obs 54-20 S

Sunday the 22

this day commences with strong gales from  
the S W ship steering E by W half W  
ship under double reef fore and main top sail  
and fore sail middle and latter part  
strong gales from the S W the  
ship heading E by N  
Long by cron 98-00 W



# Ship Florida of New Bedford

Monday the 23

this day commences with strong gales from the South steering E by N under close reefed fore and main top sail and reef fore sail middle and latter part strong gales from the N ship steering East lost the Lubber boat and split the fore topmast stay, rail and stow. the winter boat so ends this day. Lat by obs 54-22 S Long by cron 87-00 W

Tuesday the 24

this day commences with strong gales from the N. S. W ship steering E under close reefed top sail broke out meat and bread middle and latter part strong breeze from the S N E ship heading E by N all sail set so ends this day. Lat by obs 55-25 S

Wednesday the 25

this day commences with light breeze and rain storm from the N. S. E ship heading E by N all sail set middle part calm latter part light breeze from the N. W ship steering E all sail set so ends this day. Lat by obs 56-05 S

Thursday the 26

this day commences with strong breeze and good weather from the N. S. E ship heading E under all sail middle and latter part strong breeze from the N ship heading E by N double reef top sails set so ends this day.

Friday the 27

this day commences with strong breeze from the N ship heading E by N double reef top sails set and courses set saw 2 ships one heading to the N and the other to the S.



~~Off~~ Cape Horn <sup>to</sup> Round the United States  
middle and latter part light breeze and  
battering ship heading N E by E under short  
sail so ends this day

Saturday the 28  
this day commences with light breeze and  
some snow from the N E ship heading  
N E by E under all sail middle and latter  
part light breeze and variable ship heading  
E N E under all sail so ends this day

Lat by obsn 37° 42'

Long by cron 72° 20' West

Sunday the 29  
this day commences with light breeze and  
good weather from the West ship heading  
E N E all sail set make out some snow  
middle and latter part wind from the S E  
ship heading E N E all sail saw a large  
Ice Barge so ends this day

Monday the 30

this day commences with fresh breeze and  
good weather from S E ship heading  
E N E all sail set middle part steering E N  
E latter part light winds from the S W ship  
steering N E by N all sail set so ends this day

Tuesday the 1<sup>st</sup>

this day commences with light breeze and  
pleasant weather and cold from the S ship  
steering N N E under all sail and fore top  
mast standing sail saw a ship standing to the  
Westward middle part calm latter part  
strong breeze from the N E ship  
heading N N W double reef top sails  
set so ends this day



Ship Florida of New Bedford  
Remarks on Board  
Thursday the 2

this day commences with stormy breeze and thick  
snow storm from the N<sup>W</sup> ship laying two  
hudding S<sup>E</sup> under double reef main top sail  
and fore sail middle part strong breeze ship  
hudding S<sup>E</sup> latter part wind N ship hudding  
E by N all sail set so ends this day

Thursday the 3

this day commences with strong breeze and  
cold weather from the North ship hudding  
E by N all sail set middle part latter  
part light breeze from the N<sup>W</sup> ship steering  
N<sup>W</sup> E all sail set broke out water  
bread and meat saw a duck ship  
so ends this day

Lat by obs 54-41 North

Long by cron 57-45 West

Friday the 4

this day commences with light and good  
weather from the N<sup>W</sup> ship steering N<sup>W</sup> E  
under all sail went on board of the ship  
Julia of Rotterdam middle part light breeze and  
middle ship trying to head N<sup>W</sup> E latter part  
light breeze from the N<sup>W</sup> ship hudding N<sup>E</sup>  
by N all sail set so ends this day

Saturday the 5

this day commences with light breeze and  
pleasant weather from S<sup>W</sup> the ship  
hudding N<sup>E</sup> by N all sail set middle  
part light breeze and good weather from the  
N<sup>W</sup> the ship hudding N<sup>E</sup> by N latter  
part fresh breeze from the West the  
ship hudding N<sup>E</sup> by N all sail set  
so ends this day

Lat by obs 51-59

Long by cron 54-00



Kennebec River July 11<sup>th</sup> 1856

Sunday the 6

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the W the ship steering N N E under all sail bend the fly jib middle part light breeze from the N latter part light breeze from the N W ship heading N N E all sail set so ends this day

Monday the 7

this day commences with light breeze and thick weather from the W W W ship steering N N E all sail set and studding sail set middle part fresh breeze latter part fresh breeze from the N W ship steering N N E all sail set started and ended so ends this day.

Lat by obs 49-00

Tuesday the 8

this day commences with strong breeze and good weather from the N W ship steering North under all sail middle and latter part fresh breeze and pleasant weather from the N W ship steering North all sail set so ends this day.

Lat by obs 48-56

Long by cron 49-00

Wednesday the 9

this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant weather from the S S W ship steering N N E under all sail middle and latter part fresh breeze from the S ship steering N N E all sail set bend the main voyer so ends this day.

Lat by obs 43-32

Thursday the 10

this day commences with fresh breeze and good weather from the S S W ship steering N N E under all sail middle and latter part light breeze from the S S W ship steering N N E all sail set so ends this day



# Ship Florida of New Bedford

Friday the 11

this day commences with strong breeze and good wether from the N<sup>W</sup> ship steering N<sup>W</sup> E under all sail middle and latter part strong breeze from the N<sup>W</sup> the ship steering N<sup>W</sup> E under all sail so ends this day Lat by obs<sup>n</sup> 39:03 Long by cron 42:15

Saturday the 12

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant wether from the N<sup>E</sup> ship heading N<sup>W</sup> E under all sail broke out most middle and latter part light winds and variable ship heading N<sup>E</sup> by N so ends this

Sunday the 13

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant wether from the N<sup>W</sup> the ship steering N<sup>E</sup> by N put out the Main's boat middle and latter part light breeze and pleasant wether from the N<sup>W</sup> the ship heading N<sup>E</sup> by E so ends this day Lat by obs<sup>n</sup> 37:50

Monday the 14 Long by cron 41:15

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant wether from the N<sup>W</sup> the ship heading N<sup>E</sup> by E under all sail middle and latter part strong breeze from the N<sup>W</sup> the ship heading N<sup>E</sup> by E so ends this day Lat by obs<sup>n</sup> 36:51

Tuesday the 15

this day commences with strong breeze from the N<sup>W</sup> the ship heading N<sup>E</sup> by E under double reef topsails broke out 2 of keel and 1 of fore middle and latter part light breeze from the N<sup>W</sup> the ship heading N<sup>E</sup> by E with sail set so ends this day Lat by obs<sup>n</sup> 35:52



Homeward Bound July the 11<sup>th</sup> 1856

Wednesday the 16

this day commences with fresh breeze and good  
weather from the S<sup>W</sup> the ship steering N<sup>W</sup> E all  
sail set middle part light breeze from the S<sup>W</sup>  
the ship heading N<sup>W</sup> E by N<sup>W</sup> latter part wind from  
N<sup>W</sup> ship heading N<sup>W</sup> E by E all sail set sent  
up the fore and main masts so ends this day  
Lat by obs 34<sup>°</sup> 27

Thursday the 17

this day commences with light breeze and  
pleasant weather from the S<sup>W</sup> ship heading  
N<sup>W</sup> E by N<sup>W</sup> all sail set broke out maulasses  
and bent the lower tudding sail middle part  
light breeze from the S<sup>W</sup> ship  
heading N<sup>W</sup> E all sail set so ends this day  
Lat by obs 33<sup>°</sup> 11

Friday the 18

this day commences fresh breeze and fine  
weather from the S<sup>W</sup> ship heading  
E by N<sup>W</sup> under all sail set middle part  
fresh breeze from the S<sup>W</sup> ship heading E by N<sup>W</sup>  
latter part wind from N<sup>W</sup> E ship heading  
N<sup>W</sup> so ends this day  
Lat by obs 32<sup>°</sup> 24

Saturday the 19

this day commences with light breeze and  
pleasant weather from the S<sup>W</sup> E ship heading  
N<sup>W</sup> all sail set middle and latter part  
fresh breeze from the S<sup>W</sup> E ship heading  
N<sup>W</sup> by N<sup>W</sup> all sail set so ends this day

Sunday the 20

this day commences with strong breeze and  
squally weather from the S<sup>W</sup> E ship heading  
N<sup>W</sup> double reef topsails set broke out a part  
of bent middle part the same latter part heading  
N<sup>W</sup> E Lat by obs 30<sup>°</sup> 56 Long by obs 33<sup>°</sup> 20 N<sup>W</sup>



# Ship Florida of New Bedford

Monday the 21

this day commences with fresh breeze and good weather from the N<sup>W</sup> ship heading N<sup>W</sup> by N spots the ship Tharion of Fairbairn Captain Church Bound home 4 months 1700 barrels of sperm middle and latter part light breeze from the ~~N~~ N<sup>W</sup> ship heading N<sup>W</sup> by E all sail set the sparrows in sight so ends this day Lat by area 29:58

Tuesday the 22

this day commences with light breeze and fair ant weather from the W<sup>N</sup> W ship heading N<sup>W</sup> by E all sail set the sparrows in sight broke out recent middle and latter part light breeze from the N<sup>W</sup> W ship heading N<sup>W</sup> by E all sail set a Barque in sight so ends this day Lat by area 28:35

Long by area 32:20

Wednesday the 23

this day commences with a calmer and rainy weather one sail in sight and E<sup>SE</sup> wind from the E<sup>SE</sup> ship heading N<sup>W</sup> by N middle and latter part strong breeze and rainy weather from the E<sup>SE</sup> ship heading N<sup>W</sup> all sail set so ends this day

Thursday the 24

this day commences with strong breeze and rainy weather from the E<sup>SE</sup> ship heading N<sup>W</sup> all sail set started some broad middle and latter part strong breeze from the E<sup>SE</sup> ship heading N<sup>W</sup> by E under all sail broke out some weather so ends this day

Lat by area 22:48



Bound for New Bedford 1856

Board Friday the 25

this day commences with strong breeze and  
squally weather from the S E ship heading  
N by E all sail set middle and latter  
part fresh breeze from the S E the ship  
heading N by E with all sail set same two  
sails steering to the Southward

so ends this day Lat by obsen 19° 53

Saturday the 26

this day commences with fresh breeze  
and good weather from the S E ship  
heading N by E all sail set middle and  
latter part fresh breeze from the S E ship  
heading N by E all sail set same two ships  
heading to the Southward so ends this day

Lat by obsen 17° 33

Sunday the 27

this day commences with fresh breeze and  
pleasant weather from the S E ship heading  
N N E all sail set same as ship heading  
to the Southward broke 2 barrels of meat  
middle and latter part fresh breeze from the  
S E ship steering N E by N all sail set  
same 4 sails so ends this day

Lat by obsen 14° 37

Monday the 28

this day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant  
weather from the S E the ship steering N N E  
all sail set same as ship bound to the South  
and middle and latter part strong breeze  
from the S E ship heading N N E by N  
all sail set same as ship  
so ends this day

Lat by obsen 11° 50

Long by obsen 32° 05



# Ship Florida of New Bedford

Tuesday the 29

this day commences with light breeze and good weather from the S E ship heading N by E half E all sail set spoke the barque. The rigging of Baltimore hauled to Hampton such middle and latter part light breeze from the S ship heading N by E all sail set so ends this day  
Lat by obs 9:33

Wednesday the 30

this day commences with light breeze and good weather from the E ship heading N by E all sail set broke out a cask of bread spoke the Shannon middle and latter part light breeze from the E ship heading N all sail set so ends this day  
Lat by obs 7:25

Thursday the 31

this day commences with light breeze and good weather from the S E ship steering N by W all sail set watchmen floyed in fitting the rigging lowered the boats for humpbacks middle and latter part light breeze from the S ship steering N by W all sail set all hands employed in fitting the rigging so ends this day  
Lat by obs 5:31

August Friday the 1

this day commences with light breeze and good weather from the S E ship steering N by W all sail set all hands employed in fitting the rigging middle and latter part light breeze from the S E ship heading N by W all sail set so ends this day  
Lat by obs 3:23



Bound to Home July the 29 - 1854

Saturday the 2

this day commences with light breeze and  
rainy weather from the N E ship heading  
N N E all sail set broke out fore floor  
and water middle latter part light breeze  
from the N E ship heading N N W all  
sail set all hands employed in fitting the  
riggers so ends this day

Sat by obs 7:14 S

Sunday the 3

this day commences with light breeze  
and good weather from the E ship steering  
N N W all sail set all hands  
employed in fitting the riggers middle  
and latter part light breeze from the E the  
ship steering N by W all sail set  
so ends this day

Sat by obs 9 miles South

Monday the 4

this day commences with light breeze and  
good weather from the N ship steering  
N by W all sail set middle and latter  
part light breeze from the N ship  
steering N by W all sail set all  
hands employed in fitting the riggers  
so ends this day

Sat by obs 1:45 S

Tuesday the 5

this day commences with light breeze and  
good weather from the N the ship steering  
N by W all sail set all hands  
employed in fitting the riggers middle  
and latter part light breeze from the  
N ship steering N by W all sail set  
watch employed to work in the riggers  
broke out some meat

so ends this day Sat by obs 3:13 N

Sat by obs 3:14 N



# Ship Honida Round

Wednesday the 6

this day commences with light breeze and  
pleasant weather from the S E ship steering  
N by W all sail set studying  
sails both sides watch employed in the  
rigging middle and latter part light breeze  
from the S ship steering N by W all  
sail set watch employed in the rigging  
so ends this day

Lat by obs 5:11 N

Thursday the 7

this day commences with light breeze and  
good weather from the S E ship steering  
N by W all sail set watch employed  
to work in the rigging middle part fresh  
breeze from S of S latter part light breeze  
from the S ship heading N by W all  
sail set so ends this day

Lat by obs 7:02 North

Friday the 8

this day commences with light breeze  
and good weather from the S the ship  
steering N by W all sail set employed  
in taring down broke out a barrel of  
meat middle and latter part calm and  
raining so ends this day

Saturday the 9

this day commences with light breeze  
and good weather from the S the ship  
steering N N W all sail set watch  
employed in ship's duty middle and  
latter part light winds and rain  
ship heading N N W  
so ends this day



To New Bedford August 5: 18: 86

Sunday the 10

this day commences with light wind and variable fine weather ship steering N N W off all sail set saw a school of Black Fish lowered 3 boats and each boat got one maulle and latter part light winds from the N E ship heading N N W off all sail set so ends this day

Lat by obsn 8: 54

Monday the 11

this day commences with light winds and good weather from the N E ship steering N N W off all sail set maulle part light breeze from the N E ship heading N N W off latter part sail set in lowered for Black fish so ends this day Lat 000

Tuesday the 12

this day commences with light winds and variable good weather ship heading employed in ships duty maulle part calm latter part light breeze from the West ship heading N N W off all sail set so ends this day

Lat by obsn 9: 54 N

Wednesday the 13

this day commences with light breeze and good weather from the North ship heading off by N all sail set employed in ships duty maulle and latter part strong breeze from the N E ship steering N N W half N all sail set employed in ships duty so ends these 24 hours Lat by obsn 10: 54



Ship Florida Bound  
Ship Florida Bound  
The day Thursday the 14

this day commences with strong breeze  
and good weather from the N E ship steering  
N W half N all sail set employed  
in ships duty middle and latter part  
strong breeze from the N E ship  
steering N W half N all sail set  
employed in work about the ship  
so ends there 24 hours

The ship set  
Friday the 15. Lat by obs 12:45 N

Friday the 15  
this day commences with strong trade and good  
weather from the N E ship steering N W  
half N all sail set employed in work  
about the ship middle and latter part  
strong breeze from the N E ship heading  
N W half N all sail set  
so ends there 24 hours Lat by obs 18:09

Saturday the 16  
this day commences with strong breeze and  
good weather from the N E ship steering  
N W half N all sail set employed in  
sailing the spars middle and latter  
part strong breeze and squally from  
the N E ship steering N W half N  
all sail set saw a ship steering to  
the Westward broke out a burst of sun  
so ends there 24 hours

Lat by obs 17:00 N

Sunday the 17. } Long 51:40

this day commences with strong breeze and  
squally from the East ship steering N W  
all sail set middle and latter part  
light breeze from the N E ship  
steering N W half N all sail set  
so ends there 24 hours



To New Bedford

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Monday the 18

this day commences with light breeze  
and fine weather from the East ship  
steering N<sup>W</sup> by N all sail set  
middle and latter part light breeze from  
the N<sup>E</sup> ship steering N<sup>W</sup> by N all sail set  
except employed in washing ship  
so ends there 24 hours

Lat by obs 21:13

Tuesday the 19 Long by obs 56:00

this day commences with light breeze  
and fine weather from the East ship  
steering N<sup>W</sup> by N all sail set employed  
in washing ship broke out water and  
saw middle and latter part light  
breeze from the N<sup>E</sup> ship steering N<sup>W</sup> by N  
all sail set employed in painting  
ship in side so ends there 24 hours

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Wednesday the 20 Lat by obs 23:02

this day commences with light breeze and  
fine weather from the East ship steering  
N<sup>W</sup> by N all sail set employed in painting  
ship middle and latter part light breeze  
from the E ship steering N<sup>W</sup> by N all  
sail set employed in washing ship  
out side so ends there 24 hours

Lat by obs 24:15 01

Thursday the 21

this day commences with light breeze and  
pleasant weather from the E ship heading  
N<sup>W</sup> by N all sail set employed in painting  
ship middle and latter part light breeze  
from the N<sup>E</sup> ship heading N<sup>W</sup> by N  
all sail set saw 3 sails  
so ends there 24 hours

Lat by obs 26:24



# Ship Florida Bound To

Friday the 22

this day commences with fresh breeze and good weather from the S W the ship heading N W all sail set boarded the Brig then under of seven yards middle and latter part fresh breeze from the S W ship steering S W all sail set so ends there 24 hours

Saturday the 23<sup>rd</sup> Sat by obs 28:15

this day commences with strong breeze and good weather from the S W the ship steering N W all sail set seven sails middle and latter part buffling winds and squally in both ship heading N W all sail set so ends there 24 hours

Sat by obs 30:00

Sunday the 24

this day commences with light breezes with fine weather from the S W ship heading N W all sail set middle and latter part light winds and buffling ship all sail set so ends there 24 hours

Sat by obs 30:32

Monday the 25 Long by obs 64:42 W

this day commences with a calm 3 sails on right employed in fairsing ship outside middle part calm latter part strong breeze from the W ship heading N W all sail set spoke the schooner Lawrence of Baltimore bound to Louisiana in want of sails so ends there 24 hours

Sat by obs 31:25



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Tuesday the 26

This day commences with strong breeze and equally with from the W & S off the ship heading N by E saw one sail middle part fresh breeze and equally latter part light breeze from the N by W ship heading N & E all sail set so ends there 24 hours

Lat by observation 32° 15' 2"

Wednesday the 27

This day commences with light breeze and good weather from the N & E ship heading N by W by all sail set middle part light breeze from the N by W latter part strong breeze from the N & E ship heading N by W by all sail set so ends there 24 hours broke out meat and water

Thursday the 28

This day commences with strong breeze and good weather from the N & E ship heading N by W by all sail set middle and latter part light breeze from the N & E ship heading N by W all sail set so ends there 24 hours

Lat by observation 35° 39'

Friday the 29

This day commences with light breeze and fine weather from the E ship heading N by E all sail set saw 2 sails steering to the S by E middle and latter part light breeze and good weather from the Windward ship steering N by E all sail set so ends there 24 hours

Lat by observation 36° 55'



Ship Florida Bound to N Bedford

Saturday the 30

This day commences with fresh breeze and pleasant weather from the N. W. the ship steering N by W all sail set saw one sail middle and latter part light breeze from the N. W. the ship steering N by W all sail set saw no sails there 24 hours Lat by obs 35:25 Long by cron 71:10 W

Sunday the 31.

This day commences with strong breeze and pleasant weather from the N. W. ship heading N. W. W. took in top gallant sails and fly jib. boarded the Barque B. C. Hamilton of Portland middle and latter part light breeze and puffing ship N. E. and W. S. W. Lat by obs 39:00

September Monday the 1st of October the 1

This day commences with a calm went on board of the Brig Aurale of Boston our ship laying in a calm within 130 miles of Block Island middle part calm latter part fresh breeze from the N. E. ship heading N by E

Lat by obs 39:40

Tuesday the 2

This day commences with strong and good weather from the N. E. ship heading N. W. E. saw a New York pilot boat middle and latter part strong breeze ship heading in from the land at 6 P. M. made the land Monterey Point took ship and stood off

Saw no sails there 24 hours



Ship Florida off Long Island Sept 3

Wednesday the 3

this day commences with strong breeze  
and rugged weather from the N<sup>W</sup> & ship  
sailing off shore saw plenty of ships  
Boats to New York middle and last on  
for light breeze from the N<sup>W</sup> & E.

50 miles there 24 hours

Thursday the 4

this day commences with light breeze  
and good weather from the N<sup>W</sup> & ship  
sailing in for the land now

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No Sorrow There

Oh sing to me of Heaven,  
When I am called to die,  
Sing songs of holy ~~rest~~ <sup>rest</sup> estate,  
So waft my soul on high.

There will be no more sorrow there  
There will be no more sorrow there  
In Heaven above where all is love  
There'll be no more sorrow there

When cold and sluggish drop  
Roll of my marble brow  
Break in song of joyfulness  
Let Heaven begin below

There'll be no etc

When the last moment comes  
O watch my dying face  
To catch the bright seraphic glow  
Which o'er each feature plays

There'll, etc

Then to my raptured ear  
Let one sweet song be given  
Let music charm me last on earth  
And yet be first in Heaven

There'll be

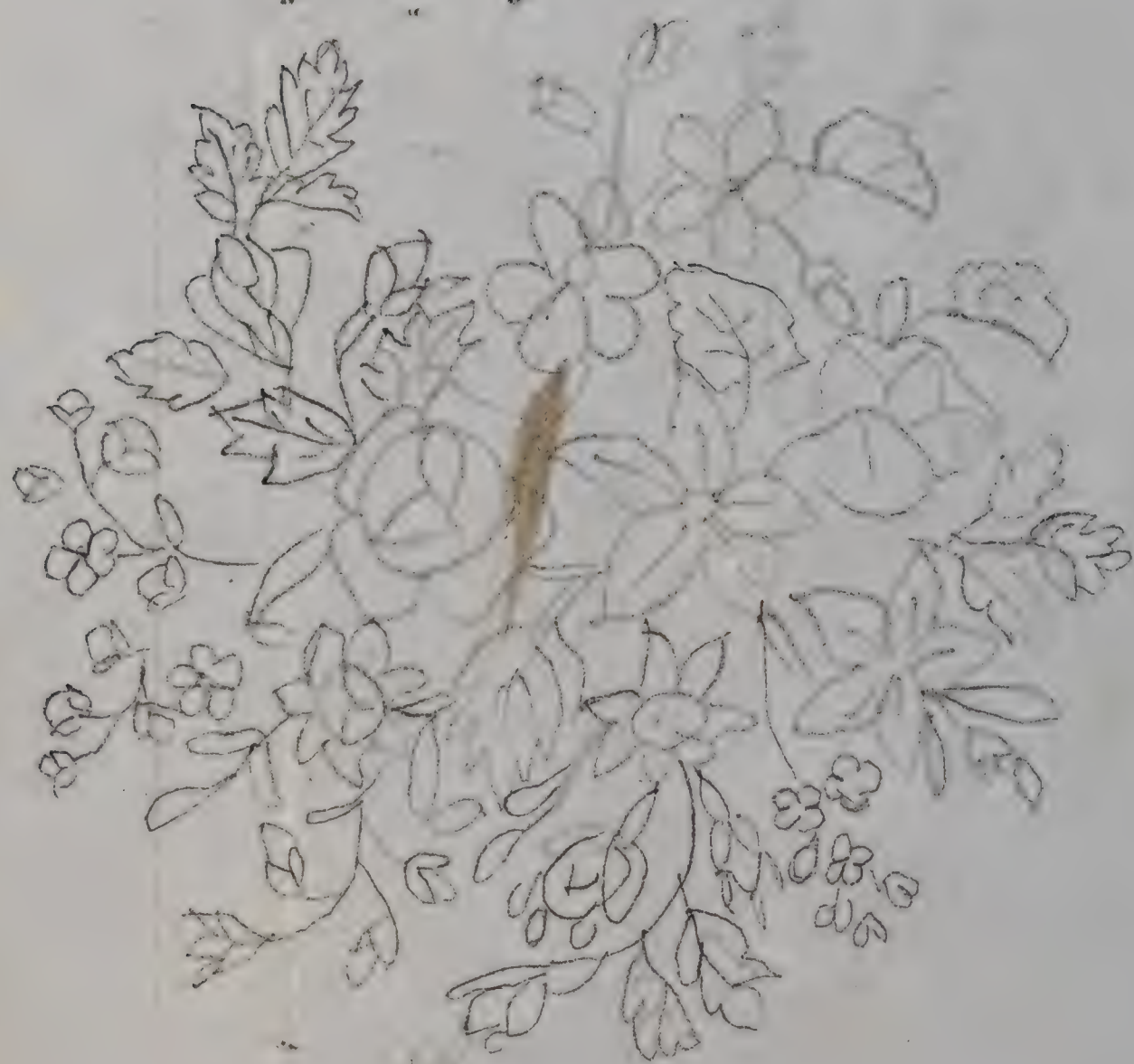
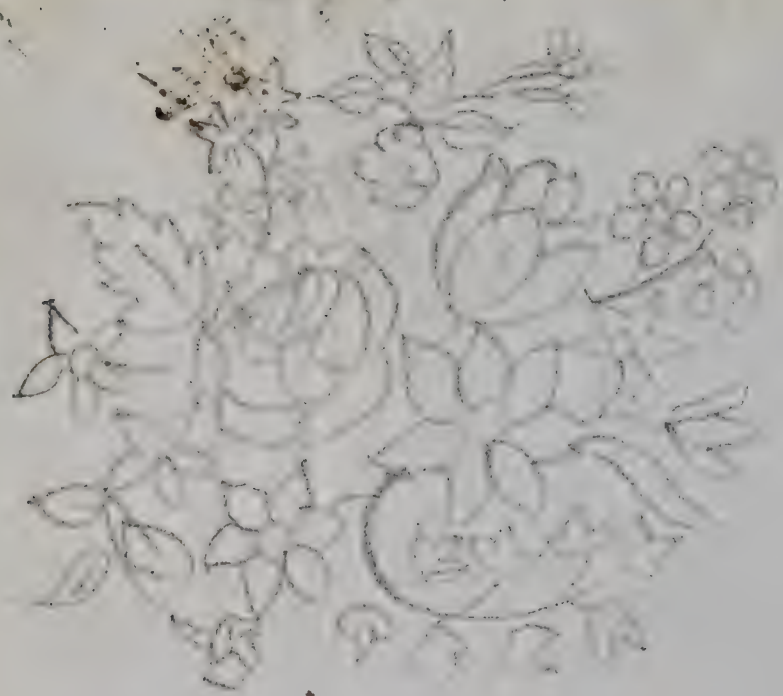
Then close my sightless eyes  
And lay me down to rest  
And clasp my cold and ice hands  
Then my lifeless breast

There'll, etc









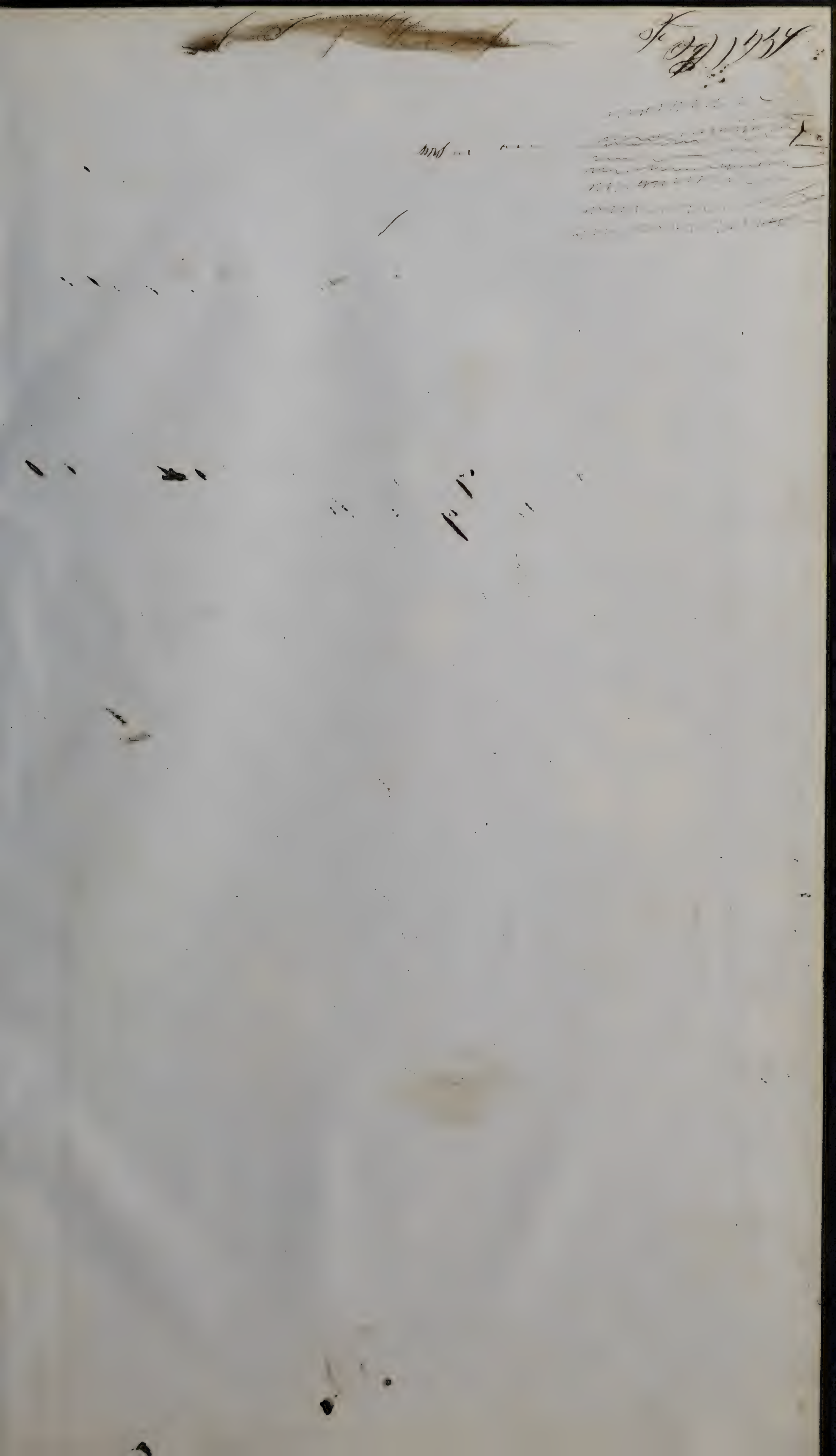


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